

**STRAWBERRIES-BLUEBERRIES**  
**FRUIT TREES-GRAPES-ASPARAGUS-ORNAMENTALS**

# RAYNER'S

## BERRY BOOK

# 1962



**PLANT RAYNER'S GARDEN SPECIALS FOR MONEY-SAVING VALUES**

### SMALL GARDEN

- 25 FAIRFAX Early
- 25 CATSKILL Mid-Season
- 25 ROBINSON Mid-Season
- 25 SPARKLE Late

100 Plants  
 Catalog Price: \$5.50  
**SPECIAL \$4.25**

### MEDIUM GARDEN

- 50 PREMIER Early
- 50 ROBINSON Mid-Season
- 50 POCAHONTAS Mid-Season
- 50 ARMORE Late

200 Plants  
 Catalog Price: \$9.10  
**SPECIAL \$7.35**

### LARGE GARDEN

- 100 FAIRFAX Early
- 100 SURECROP Mid-Season
- 100 ROBINSON Mid-Season
- 100 Jerseybelle Late

400 Plants  
 Catalog Price: \$14.90  
**SPECIAL \$11.95**

### All Season Garden

- 25 REDGLOW Early
- 25 SURECROP Mid-Season
- 25 SPARKLE Late
- 25 REDSTAR Extra Late
- 25 Superfection Evb.

125 Plants  
 Catalog Price: \$7.85  
**SPECIAL \$6.35**

**RAYNER BROTHERS, INC. - SALISBURY, MD.**





# SURECROP

THE MOST DEPENDABLE STRAWBERRY

Virus-Free, Disease Resistant,  
Drought Resistant, Highly Productive

Surecrop was developed by the U. S. Dept. of Agriculture especially for resistance to the red stele disease. It has such high resistance to this trouble that it will produce perfect crops where most varieties would be complete failures. In addition Surecrop is resistant to Verticillium wilt, leaf spot, and leaf scorch. Then as an extra bonus Surecrop is one of the most drought resistant of all strawberries. Under almost any soil condition Surecrop's unexcelled vigor will produce an abundant crop of wonderful fruit. Thus, you can understand why we call it the most dependable of all strawberries.

Surecrop ripens in midseason and has large, bright-red berries with a nice cap and bright seeds. The berries are very uniform and have a fine appearance. The flavor is good for fresh use and preserves, likewise, Surecrop is good for freezing. The flesh is quite firm and thus Surecrop will hold up well for shipping and keep its fine appearance for several days. Therefore this is an excellent commercial variety as well as a fine berry for home gardens.

From North to South we are receiving reports of the excellent performance of this amazing variety. Official tests in Missouri placed Surecrop at the top of the list for 3 consecutive years with 10,500 quarts per acre. In West Virginia it was first and in Indiana it is now officially recommended. In 1960 it produced 7,480 quarts per acre on Long Island, New York.

Because of its great vigor Surecrop may produce too many plants so for best results be sure to keep the bed fairly narrow with several inches between each plant.

25 plants \$1.40; 100 plants \$3.70; 1000 for \$18.50. Complete price list, page 18.

In 1960 Surecrop was compared with 10 other varieties in 17 locations on farms in West Virginia. It led all others with an average yield at the rate of 7,800 qts. per acre. In one location it produced at the rate of 16,600 qts. and in two other tests at more than 12,000 qts. West Virginia Agr. Ext. Service Misc. Publication No. 82.



## Crimson King Maple

(Patent No. 735)

Crimson King Maple, is truly King of all red maples. A great improvement over any red maple yet introduced. It has a deep crimson foliage that holds its color all through the summer, and adds an exhilarating contrast to the green of other trees. Will become more attractive each year, is a fast grower and perfectly hardy, reaching a height of about 50 ft. at maturity. Your lawn will take on a new look of distinction when you plant your Crimson King Maple. We know you will always cherish one of these beautiful trees.

PRICE: 4-5 ft. trees — each \$4.75.

Plus Postage.

Complete Shipping Information and Postal Rates are given in this catalog.







SPACE BELOW IS FOR ADDITIONAL ITEMS OR REMARKS.

| HOW MANY | NAMES OF VARIETIES ORDERED | PRICE   |       |
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SEND FOUR NAMES FOR

## \$1.00 BONUS PLANT OFFER

IF YOUR ORDER AMOUNTS TO \$5.00 OR MORE

Send us the names and addresses of four persons who grow berries or who have a garden and may be interested in receiving information on berry growing. We will include 25 strawberry plants FREE. We must reserve right to choose variety of plants, but are sure you will be well pleased. Bonus plants will not be sent for less than four names. Plants will be shipped with order.

### WRITE NAMES HERE FOR BONUS PLANT OFFER

List Names and Addresses Here. Please Print or Write Legibly.

Please be sure to include Street Address or R.F.D. Number. Also note whether Mr., Mrs. or Miss.

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2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_
4. \_\_\_\_\_

### INSTRUCTIONS TO PURCHASERS

**TIME TO ORDER**—As soon as convenient after receiving this catalogue. Late in the season we may be out of some varieties, but if you order early, plants will be reserved until you are ready for them. Be sure to PLANT EARLY!

**TIME OF SHIPMENT**—From November 1st to May 15th. All orders filled after May 15th will be at purchaser's risk. We will use every precaution in our power to put the plants through in good condition. (See Planting Instructions.)

**PAYMENT**—Money Order or Personal Check with order, or if desired  $\frac{1}{4}$  payment and balance before date of shipment.

**REFERENCE**—The Farmers & Merchants Bank, County Trust Co., Salisbury, Md., Dun & Bradstreet, your own State Experiment Station or County Agent.

**GUARANTEE** — 100% satisfaction or your money back. Claims if any, must be made within 30 days after receipt of goods. After 30 days and within 1 year we will replace at  $\frac{1}{2}$  the original purchase price. We cannot be responsible for conditions over which we have no control. At no time will we be responsible for any sum greater than that paid for the stock.

**TRUE-TO-NAME**—We use every precaution to have our plants true-to-name. Should any prove otherwise we will replace them or refund the purchase price.

**SHIPMENT** — Express is generally cheaper on 2000 plants or more beyond the third zone and on all large orders.

**PARCEL POST** — On all orders under 2000 Parcel Post is generally cheaper. Be sure to send enough postage to save C.O.D. charges for balance. Any excess postage will be returned.

BUY RAYNER'S PLANTS AND YOU BUY THE BEST



# To Our Customers and Other Friends

We are very happy to welcome you as a reader of Rayner's Berry Book. In it you will find the best possible planting stock of strawberries, blueberries, raspberries, fruit trees, and other plants. Also, there is complete, up-to-date information on the proper methods of growing these crops. We believe you will find our Berry Book to be both helpful and interesting.

Our nursery specializes in the production of top-quality strawberry plants, blueberry plants, and other nursery stock. Thus, you can obtain your plants directly from the producer and get the best at lower prices. We are one of the original cooperators with State and Federal authorities in production of "virus-free" strawberry plants. Our planting stock is obtained from the State screenhouse, propagated in fumigated soil, and dusted frequently to control insects that spread virus diseases. After the plants are examined and certified by State inspectors they are dug, cleaned, packed, and stored. These dormant plants are kept in our cold-storage rooms for sale during spring and summer. We definitely recommend early spring as the best time for planting strawberries but with dormant plants there is a definite trend toward later planting. June planting is giving excellent results in many areas where irrigation is available. We do not recommend the planting of strawberries after mid-July in the northern states. Our registered virus-free strawberry plants have greatly increased vigor and will amaze you with their outstanding yields of high-quality berries.

Rayner's famous blueberry plants are propagated directly from our own 100 acres of fruiting plants. Thus, we are able to select the very best for sale directly to you. We offer you the largest selection of cultivated blueberries including the new hybrids which have such large fruit.

Of primary importance to you is the fact that our plants are backed by a real guarantee of complete replacement or full refund of your payment, whichever you prefer. **This guarantee applies to all of our nursery plants that are planted during the spring season.**

**"We guarantee you will receive top quality stock. If for any reason you are not pleased with our plants, write us within 30 days and we will replace the plants or refund the complete purchase price. After the 30 day period and within one year of the date the plants were received, we will replace at one-half purchase price any plants that are not satisfactory. This guarantee covers full purchase price and does not imply any further responsibility or liability."**

Also of vital importance to you is the Rayner policy of honest, efficient dealings with our customers. We fully realize that satisfied customers are the backbone of our business and we will make every reasonable effort to provide you with top-quality plants and service.

We hope you will take the time to read the information in this catalog concerning methods of planting strawberries, blueberries, and other nursery stock. We have tried to provide the best possible directions because we certainly want you to be successful. Also planting instructions are sent with each order. Give our plants satisfactory growing conditions and they will reward you many times over with abundant crops of top quality fruit.

Yours for continued success with Rayner's plants.

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★ JAN 5 1962 ★

H. JACK W. RAYNER, President

## Where to Find the Finest Nursery Stock

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As Business References we submit the following: Farmers & Merchants Bank, Salisbury, Md., County Trust Co., Salisbury, Md., Dun & Bradstreet.

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# How to Choose the Best Strawberry Varieties

Your choice of strawberry varieties depends, to a large extent, on the purpose for which they are to be grown. Some varieties are especially good for fresh eating while others are quite tart but good for long-distance shipping. Some are superior for freezing and others are extra good for preserves. Some varieties will give fine results in nearly any soil while others require very good growing conditions. Some varieties are resistant to diseases while others are susceptible. Below is a list of general strawberry characteristics when grown under normal conditions. It must be remembered that excess fertility and other conditions can greatly alter strawberry qualities. Thus, we strongly recommend that you try several of the most desirable varieties and decide which ones are best for your particular location. Complete descriptions of all our strawberry varieties are given in this catalog.

## CHARACTERISTICS OF SOME STRAWBERRY VARIETIES

**BEST FOR FLAVOR AND GENERAL HOME USE:** Redglow, Fairfax, Armore, Pocahontas, Sparkle, Catskill.

**BEST FOR LARGE SIZE:** Armore, Robinson, Jerseybelle, Catskill, Empire, Pocahontas.

**BEST FOR HIGH YIELDS:** Catskill, Pocahontas, Surecrop, Earlidawn, Midway.

**BEST FOR FIRMNESS:** Dixieland, Blakemore, Pocahontas, Surecrop, Tennessee Beauty, Midway.

**BEST FOR FREEZING:** Midland, Pocahontas, Dixieland, Redglow, Sparkle, Surecrop.

**BEST FOR PRESERVES AND JAMS:** Dixieland, Blakemore, Pocahontas, Tennessee Beauty.

**BEST FOR EARLINESS:** Earlidawn, Midland, Premier.

**BEST FOR LATENESS:** Armore, Sparkle, Jerseybelle, Tennessee Beauty, Redstar.

**BEST FOR VIGOR AND GROWTH IN POOR OR DRY LAND:** Surecrop, Robinson, Premier, Blakemore, Sen. Dunlap.

**BEST FOR RESISTANCE TO RED STELE:** Surecrop, Stelemaster, Redglow, Sparkle, Midway, Vermillion.

**BEST FOR RESISTANCE TO VERTICILLIUM WILT:** Vermillion, Catskill, Surecrop, Premier.

**BEST FOR RESISTANCE TO LEAF TROUBLES:** Fairfax, Premier, Midland, Surecrop, Catskill, Empire, Redstar, Tennessee Beauty.

**BEST FOR COLD WINTERS:** Catskill, Empire, Sen. Dunlap, Premier, Sparkle.

**BEST FOR FROST RESISTANCE:** Earlidawn, Premier.

**BEST FOR SOUTHERN STATES:** Albritton, Pocahontas, Dixieland, Blakemore, Surecrop, Tennessee Beauty.

**BEST FOR FLORIDA:** Florida 90.

For the best success with strawberries we hope you will read the culture information given on page 17. Naturally we want our customers to have fine results with our plants and therefore, we try to keep you informed of the very best methods for growing strawberries and other plants we sell. Each spring we send a copy of our bulletin "Better Berries" to our customers and in it you will find detailed information on fertilizing, pruning, mulching, pest control, and similar important points for success with various crops. The 18th annual issue of "Better Berries" will be sent this spring and back copies of all issues are available. If you do not have these valuable bulletins, you may obtain the entire set by sending 15c to cover handling and postage.

March 27, 1961

Gibbstown, N. J.

In your berry book you stress your policy of honest and efficient dealings with your customers. From my own experience you can rest assured that whenever I speak to others about fine nursery stock, I will mention your name and place special emphasis on the honesty and efficiency that you have shown me.

Michael Hanko

May 2, 1961

St. Albans, West Virginia

The blueberry and strawberry plants recently ordered were received and are growing exceptionally well. The blueberry plants are in bloom. The count was generous, the plants were well grown and were carefully packed.

Earl T. Browder

"Plants referred to as "virus-free" in this catalog have been field grown by us from virus-free foundation stock furnished by the U. S. Department of Agriculture Bureau of Plant Industry, Soils and Agricultural Engineering, Beltsville Maryland, and State Horticultural Department, University of Maryland. Our field-grown stock has been dusted with parathion to control aphids which transmit the virus diseases. It has also been grown at considerable distance from any other strawberry plants. Since viruses do not produce clear-cut symptoms in most strawberry varieties, but simply weaken and devitalize the plants, no guarantee can be made that these plants are 100 percent free of viruses. Because of the measures that we have used to protect these plants from virus infection, we believe them to be substantially virus-free."





# EARLIDAWN

**NEW LEADER FOR EARLY PROFITS. TREMENDOUSLY PRODUCTIVE - VIRUS FREE**

Earlidawn has really made a hit with berry growers who want those big early profits. It ripens several days before other varieties and leads the customers right to you. Berries of Earlidawn are large, moderately firm, and very attractive. The flesh has a nice bright red color and makes a fine frozen product. Earlidawn ripens uniformly, without white tips, and the whole row shines with that unmatched color of big ripe strawberries. Production is good and the crop ripens uniformly with 50% being harvested in the first week.

For best results it should not be grown in and other strawberries. Throughout the proven that it is a real profit maker and have extra assurance of success.

Despite the fact that Earlidawn is the earliest of all strawberries, it has good frost resistance and will produce a full crop where other varieties are badly injured. In poor soils, Earlidawn is not as vigorous as some varieties, but give it good growing conditions and you will be amazed at its wonderful production of big, beautiful, early berries. land that has recently been cropped to tomatoes, northeastern and Central states Earlidawn has with Rayner's registered, virus-free plants, you

**25 Plants \$1.50; 50 for \$2.50; 100 for \$3.70; 1,000 for \$20.00. Complete Prices Page 18.**

**Our prices do not include Postage. See Page 19 for Postal Rates.**

# DIXIELAND

**VIRUS FREE**

There are two very valuable features of Dixieland that make it an important commercial variety. First is the unusual firmness of the berry. This quality is of extreme importance to growers and produce buyers who ship to distant markets. Dixieland arrives in fine condition and brings repeat orders because when placed on the sales shelf it still is bright and attractive. Another important quality of Dixieland is its resistance to fruit rot. It will often produce perfect berries under wet conditions that favor much loss of other varieties.

Dixieland ripens early and is sufficiently frost-resistant to give fine yields in northern states. The berries are large and light-red in color. They have a distinct neck and a small cap. The flavor is definitely tart but for preserves there is no better variety. The bright inside color helps make Dixieland an excellent variety for freezing.

Plants of Dixieland are quite vigorous and will grow well in nearly any soil type. The plants do not mat too heavily in the row and thus a good crop develops in the entire bed. Rayner's virus-free stock of Dixieland will produce top yields and big profits.

**Prices: 100 Plants for \$3.70; 1,000 for \$18.50. Complete Prices on Page 18.**

**These prices do not include Postage. See Page 19 for Rates.**

**BUY RAYNER'S PLANTS AND YOU BUY THE BEST**

**FIRMEST OF ALL  
STRAWBERRIES. FINE  
COMMERCIAL VARIETY**





# MIDLAND

**VIRUS-FREE. OUTSTANDING  
EARLY VARIETY. Top Quality**



With development of virus-free stock, Midland has become increasingly popular. At one time it was difficult to grow but with Rayner's registered virus-free plants, and good fertile soil, Midland will produce an excellent fruiting row. Throughout the north-eastern and Central states, this is one of the finest of all strawberries for flavor, quality, and appearance. The berries are very large and have a beautiful deep red color. The flesh is firm and has a fine solid-red texture that rates Midland as one of the best of all for freezing. Berries ripen very early and bring top prices so this is a fine variety for either small or large scale commercial use. On Long Island virus-free Midland has proven to be an outstanding variety for the high-quality New York market. It is probably the most widely planted strawberry in that important area.

Throughout all but the southern states we recommend Midland highly as an outstanding early variety.

All of our plants are guaranteed; see page 3 for details.

**25 Plants \$1.45; 50 for \$2.40; 100 for \$3.90;  
1,000 for \$19.50. Postal Rates Page 19.**

June 22, 1961

I saw some of your Midland strawberry plants in production today and it was a wonderful sight to see. They were the nicest berries I have ever seen.

Houston, Minnesota

Oscar Birkeland

February 27, 1961

Last year, I reaped the results of the wonderful, vigorous Premier plants purchased from you two years ago. I am still amazed at the quantity and quality of the production of these plants.

Parkersburg, W. Va.

Edward W. Poole

# PREMIER

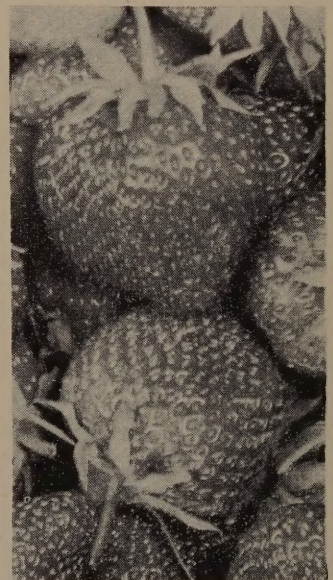
**U. S. D. A.  
Virus-Free  
Strain**

## THE OLD FAVORITE EARLY BERRY

For forty years Premier has been the standard early strawberry for northern states. It has long been recognized as one of the most dependable varieties since it has frost resistance and will grow under nearly any soil conditions. The foliage is vigorous and makes an abundance of sturdy plants which produce heavy yields.

Berries of Premier have an attractive light red color and are of medium size. The flavor is generally good and in northern states is better than in warm areas. Premier is not as firm in texture as some other varieties but is generally satisfactory for fresh market sales and home use. In areas, where winter-hardiness is important, Premier is a good choice since it has established a fine record of performance in cold climates. Recently it has been shown that Premier has resistance to Verticillium Wilt. This trouble occurs in some northern soils, especially where tomatoes and potatoes have been grown.

**25 Plants for \$1.35; 50 for \$2.25; 100 for \$3.60; 1,000 for \$18.00**



**Complete Prices Page 18. Postal Rates Page 19.**

**BUY RAYNER'S PLANTS AND YOU BUY THE BEST**



**VIRUS  
FREE**

# REDGLOW

**UNUSUALLY  
FINE  
FLAVOR**

## RED STELE RESISTANT

We are firmly convinced that for real strawberry flavor and quality Redglow is outstanding. If allowed to remain on the plant a few days after it first turns red the fresh flavor is truly delicious and cannot be excelled by any other strawberry. In addition to such fine flavor Redglow is also one of the most beautiful varieties. The berries are medium to large in size and have a fine bright red color that really shines. The flesh is firm and has a fine color which results in an excellent frozen product. It grows well in most soils but is best in rich, moist land. It has red stele resistance so if this soil disease is a problem just plant Redglow and enjoy the finest strawberries you have ever known.

Redglow ripens very early in most locations; in tests on Long Island, New York it was earlier than Midland and just 1 or 2 days behind Earlidawn. In 1960 Redglow was among the varieties tested in West Virginia, and was rated large for fruit size; firm for texture; and very good for freezing. Foliage of Redglow is generally quite vigorous, and it readily produces a nice bed of plants if growing conditions are at all favorable. It is not as well adapted to growth on dry or poor land as are some varieties.



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May 9, 1961

In November I obtained 50 each of your Redglow and Pocahontas strawberry plants, and was astonished at their wonderful root systems. We began picking about February 1st and are still picking every second day. The berries are large, well shaped, and have wonderful flavor.

Melbourne, Florida

Claremont I. Tolles



# STELEMMASTER

**VIRUS  
FREE**

**SUPERIOR RESISTANCE  
TO RED STELE**

In soils where the red stele disease is a problem Stelemaster can be the difference between a good crop and a failure. It was developed by the U. S. Department of Agriculture because of the increasing need for superior resistance to red stele. Stelemaster ripens early and produces elongate, firm berries of good size. The flavor and quality are good. Under good growing conditions Stelemaster can produce very high yields and will have vigorous growth. However, it is not well suited to poor or sandy soils. If the red stele disease is a problem, we recommend a trial planting of Stelemaster for the early variety.

Rayner's stock of virus-free Stelemaster will give good results in the eastern and central states.

25 Plants \$1.45; 50 for \$2.35; 1,000 for \$19.00

SEE PAGE 18 FOR COMPLETE PRICE LIST

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**VIRUS  
FREE**

# FAIRFAX

**EARLY, PRODUCTIVE  
VERY VIGOROUS**

## THE OUTSTANDING VARIETY FOR DELICIOUS FLAVOR

Fairfax was introduced in 1928 by the United States Department of Agriculture and immediately became very popular because of its excellent flavor and quality. In this respect it is still the leader of all strawberries and therefore, the favorite variety for home gardens and local sales where flavor is appreciated. You will find in Fairfax the true strawberry flavor that is so important to all who enjoy fresh strawberries. Its berries are large and have a deep red color when fully ripe. The flesh is likewise a dark red color.

With the new vigor of Rayner's registered virus-free plants, Fairfax is a very dependable variety giving fine production for home gardens and for commercial production where "repeat" business is important. Your Customers will continue to come back for more of this delicious berry.

Fairfax is quite winter-hardy and is well adapted to the northern states as well as to the middle-Atlantic and Central area. It grows well in nearly any type of soil but like most strawberries gives best results in fertile land having a good supply of moisture. The berry color of Fairfax becomes quite dark when fully ripe but this is the time for best flavor. These fully-ripe berries are not as satisfactory for freezing as those that are picked while the color is not so deep.



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**Virus - Free**

# BLAKEMORE

Blakemore has several features that make it a good commercial variety in areas of the south. It is unusually vigorous, making fine fruiting beds in the warm, southern states. In poor soils and under drought conditions Blakemore will usually succeed where most strawberries would fail. In addition the fruit of Blakemore is very firm and ideally suited to processing and freezing. Likewise these berries have long been recognized for their ability to hold up well in shipment. The berries are generally of small to medium size but their light, bright color gives a good appearance. Blakemore is an early variety and a very dependable producer of good yields. The berries have a definite neck and a cap that is easily removed. The flavor is tart for fresh use but in preserves and jams it cannot be beat. Thus, if home-made strawberry preserves are a favorite in your home why not try the variety that has been proven to be outstanding for this purpose. Rayner's registered stock is yellows-free and virus-free.

25 Plants \$1.15; 50 for \$1.90; 1,000 for \$15.00. See Page 18 For Complete Price List.

**VIRUS FREE**

# FLORIDA 90

**BEST FOR FLORIDA**

Because of the lack of cold weather in Florida there is not sufficient winter-dormancy for fruit development in most varieties of strawberry. The plants will grow but production of fruit is poor or absent. For many years Missionary was the only variety that would produce good crops under Florida conditions, but in recent years it has been largely replaced by Florida 90, a berry developed in Florida for Florida conditions. This is the berry that is grown so extensively for shipment to the north. Its berries are large and elongate and have a rich red color and nice flavor. The plants are relatively small but very vigorous, making excellent growth on a wide variety of soils. Recently Florida 90 has been found to give fine results in parts of Georgia, where it has excellent commercial possibilities. For the home gardener in Florida, there is no better strawberry than this fine berry which is tailor-made for your climate.

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**TREMENDOUS  
YIELDS OF  
LARGE BERRIES**

# MIDWAY

**VIRUS FREE**  
New U. S. D. A. Hybrid

This new introduction of the United States Department of Agriculture is such a wonderful variety that we recommend it to you most highly. The above photograph was taken during the 1961 fruiting season at the farm of a local berry grower who had a trial planting. Midway produced such a tremendous yield that the ground was nearly covered and the berries were of extra big size and unusually attractive. We are much impressed with the nice uniform shape, the firm texture, and glossy skin of Midway. Its nice cap and bright seeds combine to make this a really excellent variety. Berries ripen in early midseason and maintain their large size very well. They have a firm skin and firm flesh which permits long distance shipment and results in a fine looking berry a day or two after they have been picked.



Midway is a cross of Dixieland x Temple and has the same type of red stele resistance that helped make Temple such a reliable variety. Likewise, it has a lot of that fine Temple flavor. It has been tested for five years as selection MD. - U.S. 2389 and has given excellent results during this time in many states, including Mass., W. Va., Md., N. J., Penna., Ohio, Indiana, Missouri, and eastern Washington. It consistently produced high yields, up to 11,000 quarts per acre, which rank it with the best in this respect. Thus, Midway has already been proven to be outstanding and you need have no worry about results with Rayner's registered virus-free stock.

Our tests with Midway show that it gives the best results in fertile soils which have a good supply of moisture and that it may not be as good as some varieties if planted in dry, sandy land. We recommend Midway as a red stele resistant variety to replace both Fairland and Temple which are being discontinued because they are not virus-free. We feel certain that if you will give Midway a chance it will reward you with outstanding yields of wonderful, large, strawberries.

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**VIRUS  
FREE**

# SURECROP

**SEE INSIDE  
FRONT COVER**

The amazing variety that is so vigorous it will grow almost anywhere in nearly any soil. Everyone can have success with this outstanding variety. See inside front cover for color picture and full details.

**April 12, 1961**

The spring of 1959 I ordered 100 Surecrop strawberry plants from you. Every plant lived and last spring I picked 310 quarts of delicious berries. Your plants proved to be what you said they are, and more.

**Wytheville, Va.**

**James L. Whisman**

**May 3, 1961**

In April, 1959 I planted 100 of your Surecrop and during last June and July picked 264 quarts of wonderful berries.

**Cameron Mills, New York**

**George R. Smith**

**NO MATTER HOW  
MUCH YOU PAY**

You will never buy berries as good as the fresh harvests of your own locality. With "shipped-in" berries the quality and flavor cannot match the vine-ripened perfection right out of the patch. That's why more and more folks grow their own. Grow more! Save more! Have more!

**BUY RAYNER'S PLANTS AND YOU BUY THE BEST**



VIRUS  
FREE

# POCAHONTAS

EXTRA BIG YIELDS OF HIGH QUALITY BERRIES. EXCELLENT



FOR BOTH COMMERCIAL  
AND HOME PLANTINGS.

The features which make Pocahontas so outstanding are its tremendous yield, of large, high-quality berries, and exceptional plant vigor. Pocahontas was released by the U. S. Dept. of Agriculture in 1954 and has rapidly become the leading commercial variety in many areas. Likewise, it is one of the very best strawberries for home gardens. In official tests in many states Pocahontas has consistently ranked near the top for production. Of special significance are the many enthusiastic reports from berry growers who find Pocahontas to be the best strawberry they have ever known. From Texas to Georgia and northward to New York and Iowa this is a variety that is setting new records for production and profits. In the eastern area of Maryland, Virginia, and North Carolina, Pocahontas is a leading commercial va-

riety since its firm, large berries can be shipped long distances to market and still maintain their attractive appearance.

Pocahontas ripens in mid-season and produces large berries that "hold their size" for the entire season. They have a bright red, firm skin and a fine red flesh. The flavor is excellent if the berries are allowed to ripen fully before picking. If picked too soon, Pocahontas is rather tart and in the northern states this tartness seems to be more evident than in warmer areas. For preserves and freezing Pocahontas is excellent.

Another fine feature of Pocahontas is its unusual plant vigor which results in good growth in nearly any type of soil. In fact, it will make too much vine growth in some locations and then it is necessary to control runner production or the yield will be reduced. Excellent results have been obtained with Pocahontas when it is planted in June or July under irrigation. A bed of well-spaced plants is developed which produces very big berries the next spring. The demand for Pocahontas has increased so greatly that it is difficult to supply enough plants. So if you want this wonderful berry be sure and place your order early.

25 Plants for \$1.35; 50 for \$2.25; 100 for \$3.60; 1000 for \$18.00. Complete Prices Page 18.

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March 2, 1961

Buckhannon, W. Va.

As a result of being high scorer in the W. Va. 4-H strawberry judging contest I received 500 Pocahontas and 500 Catskill from your company. These plants yielded 2,290 quarts and I am going to apply the money received toward my college education.

Sue Marple

June 17, 1961

West Holyoke, Mass.

We are overjoyed with the Pocahontas and Armore. The size is fabulous and we got top prices. Also they show little rot and there was no loss from frost.

Mrs. George Schoenfeldt

Sept. 19, 1961

Millersburg, Ohio

We had 14 different varieties. Pocahontas was the leader in production with Earlidawn and Armore close following.

Roy L. Schlabaach



Part of one of Rayner's fields of Pocahontas which will be dug for plants in 1962.



**UNUSUALLY  
VIGOROUS**

# ROBINSON

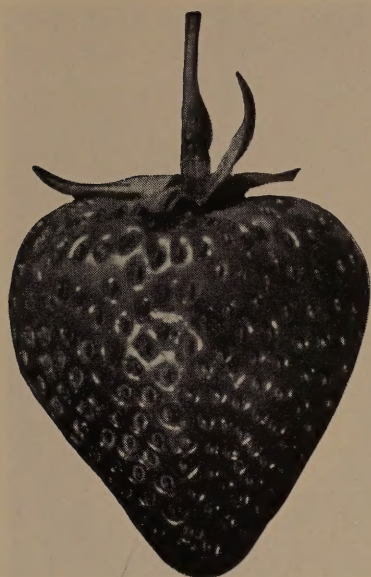
**VIRUS  
FREE**

## Extra Large Berries

Robinson (also known as Kardinal King and Scarlet Beauty) has several outstanding good features that far out-weigh its less desirable qualities. It is one of the most vigorous plant makers and will often give good results in poor or sandy soils where other varieties fail. Even under drought conditions it will usually produce good crops. Another fine quality is its very large berry size. Fruit of Robinson are really large and with their light red color, they bring good prices. Its ripening period begins soon after Premier but it is generally considered a midseason variety. In Michigan Robinson is the leading commercial variety. The plants are small but the fruiting beds are very wide and vigorous — in fact best results are obtained if late-formed runners are removed.

In cool climates the quality and firmness of Robinson is good enough to satisfy most customers. However, in warm areas it may not be suitable. Because of its vigor and large berry size Robinson remains a favorite of many home gardeners and commercial growers in the northeast. Rayner's registered virus-free stock of Robinson will bring the best out of this variety.

**100 Plants for \$3.60; 1,000 for \$18.00. Prices on P. 18.**



June 22, 1961

In the spring of 1960, I planted 150 of your Robinson and believe it or not, I picked 152 quarts of berries. In my time, I have seen some big berries but never any as large as these.

Zanesville, Ohio

William Franfelter

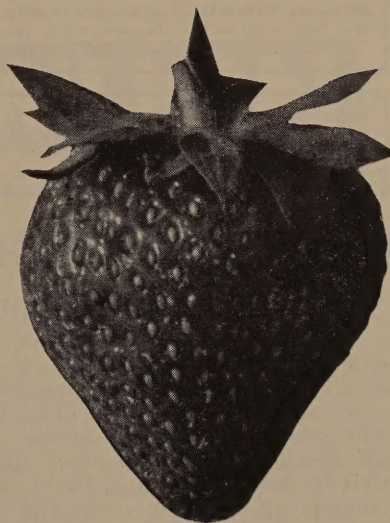
**VIRUS  
FREE**

# EMPIRE

**EXCELLENT FOR COMMERCIAL  
AND HOME USE IN THE NORTH.**

Empire is another of the fine fruit developments of the New York State Experiment Station. Thus, it is well suited to the northern states where it is a fine midseason companion of Catskill. Yields are good and it has sufficient frost and winter hardiness to be a very dependable producer. Empire is an especially attractive berry since it has a very glossy, medium red color and a fine green cap. The berry shape is somewhat elongate and irregular. Berry size is large and this size holds up well for the entire picking season. The flesh color of Empire is somewhat pale, and it is a bit soft, but the flavor is very good. Large berries may have a hollow center. However, its large size, fine appearance and good flavor rate Empire as a real profit maker in northern states. We definitely believe you will like this excellent variety.

Plants of Empire are very vigorous and are hardy in cold climates. Runner plants are developed freely and result in a good fruiting row. In all the New England area, we believe you will have excellent results with Rayner's virus-free Empire. It is very good for any fresh market sales but is not rated too highly for processing.



**Empire Prices: 100 for \$3.80; 1,000 for \$19.00. Order Early. Complete prices page 18.**

March 11, 1961

In March, 1959 I planted 25 Empire strawberry plants from your nursery and they have done beautifully. Last summer we picked at least 25 quarts of berries.

Morton, Pa.

A. V. B. Orr, M.D.

**BUY RAYNER'S PLANTS AND YOU BUY THE BEST**



# CATSKILL

**BIG YIELDS OF BIG BERRIES  
OUTSTANDING NORTHERN VARIETY  
VIRUS FREE. WINTER HARDY**

The outstanding feature of Catskill is its consistently high yields throughout the northern states. Under most growing conditions, its virus-free vigor and extreme winter hardiness always result in fine production. Thus, it is well liked by the amateur who wants a strawberry that is easy to grow and it is a favorite for commercial planting where this dependability is so important. In addition to such fine plant vigor and high yields Catskill has excellent berries of large size. The flavor is good and they have a nice bright red color. Berries of Catskill are not as firm as some varieties and for best results should be handled promptly. But for many years this has been the leading midseason variety throughout most of the northeast so it must be good. Catskill was developed in 1933, at the New York Experiment Station and has consistently been one of the best of all strawberries. It is noted for its tall, light green foliage which is so resistant to leaf troubles. Likewise, Catskill is highly resistant to Verticillium Wilt, and Summer Wilt which are of importance in some northern soils. Recent tests in West Virginia showed an outstanding average yield under growers conditions of 6,850 quarts per acre.



For good results with strawberries in cool climates be sure to try some of Rayner's registered virus-free Catskill.

**25 Plants \$1.40; 50 for \$2.30; 100 for \$3.70; 1,000 for \$18.50. Complete Prices Page 18.**

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January 3, 1961

We planted 1,000 of your Catskill in the spring of 1959, and harvested about 1,800 quarts the following season. They were the largest berries we have ever seen and had a wonderful flavor. We had 500 Catskill, purchased locally, and grown under the same conditions. They were of good quality but couldn't compare with the excellent berries picked from your plants.

Mr. and Mrs. Selden A. Lane

Catskill, New York

February 19, 1961

Last year you sent me 500 Catskill with the longest, bushy, lovely roots I have ever seen. I don't think I lost a plant and the rows look like those on the front of your catalog. Well pleased.

W. C. Edwards

Mt. Pleasant, Ohio

# SENATOR DUNLAP

**VIRUS  
FREE**

**THE OLD-FASHIONED VARIETY WITH WILD-STRAWBERRY FLAVOR**

Dunlap was named in Illinois in 1890 and has withstood the test of time better than any standard variety. It was a favorite long ago because of its wonderful flavor and excellent quality for fresh use and preserves. Today Senator Dunlap still has these same excellent features and has also proven to be fine for freezing. The plants are extremely winter hardy and will grow in our coldest states. Thus, it is well liked in Minnesota, Wisconsin, North Dakota, South Dakota, and other states having severe winter weather. Dunlap will also grow well in poor soils and in heavy clay soils and is very drought resistant. Berries of Senator Dunlap are of medium size and have a rich red color inside and out. For berries that will bring back memories of that delicious wild strawberry flavor try Rayner's registered stock of virus-free Dunlap.

**25 Plants \$1.15; 50 for \$1.90; 100 for \$2.95; 1,000 for \$15.00. Complete Prices Page 18.**

April 2, 1961

I was very pleased with last years plants. Out of 600 planted I did not lose a single plant.

Frank Fetska, Jr.

West Middlesex, Pa.



# SPARKLE

**FAVORITE LATE VARIETY FOR FRESH USE AND FREEZING — VIRUS FREE**

Sparkle was introduced in 1931 by the New Jersey Agriculture Experiment Station and soon became the leading late strawberry in most of the northeastern and central states. It has red stele resistance combined with virus-free plant vigor and thus will give fine results in nearly all soil types. Sparkle is very winter hardy giving dependable production throughout the New England area. Berries of this variety are well named for they have such a fine bright color that they seem to sparkle. The seeds are bright yellow and with its nice cap Sparkle is a beautiful berry. U.S.D.A. Farmers Bulletin #1043 states the following about Sparkle "Berries usually medium-sized, sometimes small, short blunt conic to oblate, medium firm, glossy, rich medium red, mildly subacid, of very good dessert quality, medium late. Leaves medium sized, and resistant to leaf spot and leaf scorch; plants making runners very freely."

For many years Sparkle has been a favorite late variety because of its excellent yields of delicious berries that bring good prices. It is a pleasure to grow this fine berry because it is so good to eat and your customers always come back for more. For freezing Sparkle is one of the very best and for jams and preserves, it is also excellent.

Recent trials by growers in West Virginia showed an excellent average of 6,700 quarts per acre with Sparkle. In Michigan, it is the leading red stele resistant variety, and is commonly known as Paymaster. For best results with this fine variety use Rayner's registered virus-free plants.

**25 Plants \$1.35; 50 for \$2.25; 100 for \$3.60; 1,000 for \$18.00. Complete Prices Page 18.**



January 30, 1961

In 1959 we set 100 of your Sparkle plants and last summer we picked 246 quarts. The Pochontas and the Latham raspberries we set last spring grew nicely.

Grantsville, Md.

Mrs. Philip Bender

**VIRUS  
FREE**

# VERMILION

**RESISTANT TO RED STELE, WILT, AND LEAF SPOT**

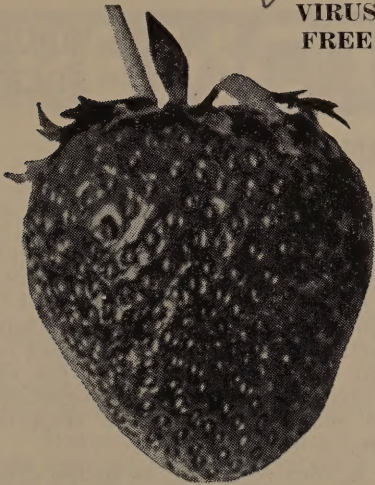
In 1950 Vermilion was introduced by the University of Illinois as a red stele resistant variety for commercial production in the north-central states. It is also being grown both as a commercial and home garden berry in much of the northeast. In 1960 it ranked second in variety trials in West Virginia.

Vermilion has high disease resistance that makes it a very dependable variety. In addition to the red stele disease it is also resistant to Verticillium wilt and leaf spot. Thus, this variety will give excellent results in a wide range of soils and growing conditions. Of much importance is the high quality of the fruit which makes Vermilion a favorite for old-fashioned strawberry flavor. It produces fine crops of medium sized, bright berries of good firmness. The fruit are solid and have a fine red flesh color which makes this variety

very good for freezing and preserves. A somewhat unusual feature of Vermilion is its irregular ripening season in different areas. In 1959 it was rated as a very early berry in Indiana while in West Virginia it ripened in late-midseason. Rayner's virus-free stock will give you the best results with this fine variety.

**100 Plants \$3.60; 1,000 for \$18.00. Complete Prices Page 18. See Page 19 for Postal Rates.**

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**NOW ALL OF RAYNER'S  
PLANTS ARE REGISTERED  
VIRUS-FREE**

# **JERSEYBELLE**

**HUGE, BEAUTIFUL BERRIES, EXTRA-LATE. BIG PROFITS.**

If you want big strawberries, then you want Jerseybelle. For several years these exceptionally large, beautiful berries have been a sensation in the Hammonton, New Jersey area where they are grown for the New York market. Jerseybelle has consistently brought higher prices than any other variety and has rapidly become the leading berry in that area. It was introduced by the New Jersey Agriculture Experiment Station and seemed best suited to conditions in that State. In other areas it was sometimes not too successful and often was difficult to grow. Recently virus-free stock of Jerseybelle became available and it has resulted in a tremendous improvement in this variety. Now Jerseybelle has excellent plant vigor and will give fine results in most soils. This virus-free stock has made Jerseybelle a very promising variety for many areas and we strongly recommend that you make a trial planting if you are interested in making money with strawberries.



Berries of Jerseybelle have consistently been the largest of any variety we have ever seen and they have a beautiful glossy color that gives a waxed appearance. The cap is large and the seeds are bright yellow, resulting in a berry of unusual beauty. The flesh is not nearly as juicy as in some varieties thus, Jerseybelle will hold its appearance quite well. The flavor is not as good as for some berries but is satisfactory. The ripening season is quite late, about a week after Sparkle, which greatly helps to prolong the picking season.

Jerseybelle may show some leaf troubles but generally this is not a serious problem. In northern soils, it is best not to plant Jerseybelle in land recently grown to tomatoes, potatoes, or other strawberries. But if you are looking for that extra big berry that will make real profits, you will make a planting of Rayner's registered, virus-free Jerseybelle.

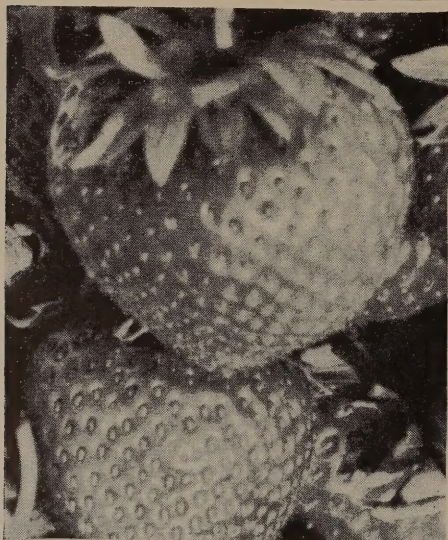
**25 Plants \$1.45; 50 for \$2.40; 100 for \$3.90; 1,000 for \$19.50. Complete Prices on Page 18.**

**MOST PERFECT  
OF ALL BERRIES**

# **ALBRITTON**

**VIRUS  
FREE**

**CAROLINA FAVORITE**



This excellent variety originated as a result of a cooperative breeding program between the U. S. Dept. of Agriculture and the North Carolina Agricultural Experiment Station. Albritton is unquestionably one of the most perfect of all strawberries. It is very large; has a beautiful glossy color with bright seeds, and a large attractive cap. The fruit are so uniform in shape that they look as if they were all carefully graded. Flavor and quality are excellent and the flesh is firm enough to be a good shipping berry. It is considered a late variety.

Unfortunately it is very restricted as to the area where it will produce consistently good yields. In the coastal area of North Carolina it is usually excellent but in areas of Virginia, Maryland, and New Jersey it is not always a dependable variety.

**100 Plants \$3.20; 1,000 for \$16.00**

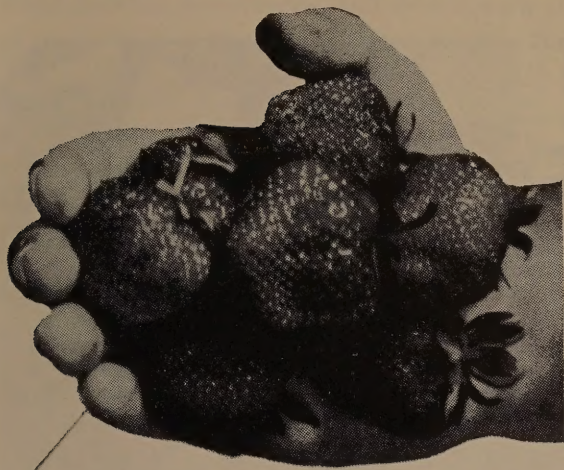
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**EXTRA LARGE BERRIES  
LATE — EXTRA FINE FLAVOR**

**VIRUS-FREE**



# ARMORE

During the past few years Armore has gained greatly in popularity in the north-eastern states. Armore could almost be considered a late-season Catskill. Its berries are very large and have a nice bright color that makes them very attractive. The flesh color is light red and the quality is excellent. It is good for freezing.

Armore has really found a place with berry growers who sell direct to the customers because it is very large, late-ripening, and has a fine sweet flavor. These features bring repeat sales and good profits. Armore is well suited to the south central and middle-Atlantic states and is also well liked in the northern area. It is quite vigorous but its foliage is not as resistant to leaf troubles as some varieties.

25 Plants \$1.35; 100 for \$3.60; 1000 for \$18.00. Complete Price List Page 18.

# TENN. BEAUTY

**VIRUS  
FREE**

Tennessee Beauty is the late commercial variety for most of the southern states. It is a vigorous plant maker that gives good results in the hot, dry southern summers. Berries are medium size, bright, very firm, and the cap is very attractive. Yields are excellent. For freezing, preserves, and fresh use Tennessee Beauty is a fine variety and is quite popular with home gardeners. Rayner's registered virus-free stock assures success.

25 Plants \$1.30; 50 for \$2.15; 100 for \$3.50; 1,000 for \$17.50.

# REDSTAR

**VIRUS  
FREE**

The big feature of Redstar is its unusual lateness. It ripens a week or more after the normal late varieties. Thus, Redstar is very popular with both home gardeners and commercial producers who want to extend the berry season as long as possible. Another advantage of this lateness is that Redstar rarely is hurt by frost and thus is a dependable producer.

Redstar does best in fertile soil where it will make a nice bed of unusually large plants. The fruit is large, attractive, and has a very big cap that makes Redstar a beautiful berry. Flavor and quality are good and it makes a nice frozen product.

Rayner's registered stock of virus-free Redstar has resulted in a great increase in popularity of this fine variety. It still requires good growing conditions for best results, but now Redstar is much more dependable. In any of the northern areas where a very late strawberry is desired we believe that Redstar will be very satisfactory.

25 Plants \$1.45; 50 for \$2.40; 100 for \$3.90; 1,000 for \$19.50. Complete Prices Page 18. Postal Rates Page 19.



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# EVERBEARING STRAWBERRIES

PICK DELICIOUS STRAWBERRIES SPRING, SUMMER AND FALL

## SUPERFECTION

**VIRUS - FREE**

Superfection is our most dependable everbearer. It is a vigorous grower and readily produces good fruiting rows. This variety is also known as Gem, and Brilliant.

The berries can be very large and quite attractive. The color is a good light red and the flavor ranges from mild to tart. Superfection is not as good as the June bearing varieties, but it will give you a fair amount of nice berries in June and July and another crop in the early fall that will continue until freezing weather.

25 Plants \$2.25; 100 for \$6.00.



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April 25, 1961

Thanks for sending such fine plants and the courteous and prompt way handled my order.

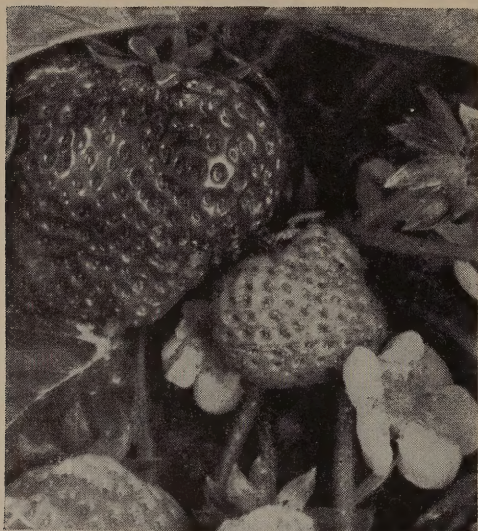
South Vienna, Ohio

Carl Wiseman

## GEM

**VIRUS  
FREE**

Gem is so much like Superfection that we consider it to be the same variety. But call it what you want, it is still the most dependable everbearer for the northeast. Prices are shown on page 18.



## STREAMLINER

**VIRUS FREE EVERBEARER**

**FINE FLAVOR, GOOD YIELDS,  
LARGE SIZE**

In many areas of the central and mid-southern states Streamliner is the outstanding everbearer. It has very vigorous, beautiful foliage and produces an abundance of runner-plants under most growing conditions. Berries of Streamliner are of good size and have a fine appearance and good flavor. A good crop is produced in the spring but best production is in the fall when you can really appreciate this fine variety. For fresh use and freezing, it is quite good and thus Streamliner is rapidly increasing in popularity not only in the South but in northern states as well. This excellent everbearer is certainly worth a trial if you want a fall-bearing strawberry.

25 Plants \$2.60; 50 for \$4.40; 100 for \$7.00. Complete Price List Page 18.

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# Growing Strawberries

Strawberries are one of the easiest fruits to grow. Good plants set at the proper season in good soil will respond with ordinary care and cultivation. There is nothing complicated about growing strawberries, and by following these easy instructions the beginner can be sure of good results. Rayner's certified stock is further assurance of success.

**Where strawberries can be grown:** In every state of the union strawberries are grown at least to some extent. They are quite hardy and will give good results in any reasonably fertile soil that is fairly well drained. Like other fruit, strawberries will not produce a good crop in a shady location.

**Soil and fertilizer:** A good soil for strawberries is one that is slightly acid, in good condition, and reasonably free of weed seed. Newly plowed pasture land or sod often gives poor results but recently cleared woodland is excellent. If good soil is properly prepared it can be successfully replanted to strawberries a year after an old planting was plowed up. Important requirements for strawberries are high organic matter and high fertility. Well rotted barnyard manure is one of the best materials for good strawberry growth but other organic matter is very helpful. Well rotted poultry manure can be used but may cause plant injury and also increases the weed problem. It is usually best to apply from 1,000 to 1,500 lbs. per acre of a 10-6-4 or 8-8-8 fertilizer. This is equivalent to about 1 pound per 40 sq. ft. of strawberry row. Plow under about 1/3 of the total fertilizer 2 or 3 weeks before planting and apply the rest as side or top dressings during the growing season. An application in late August or early September is very important since this is the time fruit buds are developed for the next crop. In general it is best not to apply much fertilizer to strawberry beds in early spring. This may cause excess vine growth and decreased fruit production.

**When to plant:** Early spring is the best time in most sections but in areas of the north it is sometimes best to wait until May or even early June when the soil is in better condition. With Rayner's dormant plants there is a definite trend toward summer planting and with irrigation this is often very successful. However in cold climates we do not recommend planting after the middle of July. Plants set in late summer or fall are often injured or killed by cold weather.

**How to plant:** It is important not to set the plant too deep or too shallow. Do not clip the roots but spread them out full length and press dirt around the plant so that the roots are firmly anchored in the soil. For best results we recommend use of a soluble fertilizer as a transplanting solution. About a pint of solution should be poured around each plant when it is put in the hole. A good planting distance is 2 ft. apart in the row with 4 ft. between rows. Slightly narrow fruiting beds will usually have better yields and higher quality than beds that are unusually thick.

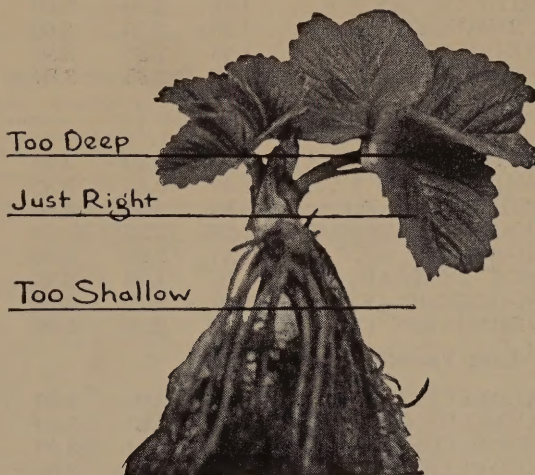
**Care of the plants:** A few weeks after strawberries are planted they will produce blossoms. For the regular matted-row system it is best to remove these blooms since the plants will make better growth. Hoeing and cultivation are necessary practices for weed control but much benefit can be obtained by use of a good weed-killer. We recommend Sesone (Crag I Herbicide). Other herbicides such as Chloro I.P.C. and Sinox are also used to control weeds in strawberries. Consult your state agricultural authorities for recommendations. We use geese in our fields for weed control; about two or three per acre will do a good job on young grass.

In northern states it is important to mulch strawberries for prevention of winter injury. Straw, hay or marsh grass are the best materials but wood shavings, pine needles, leaves, shredded corn stalks, etc. can be used. The important point to remember is that the material must not pack tightly since it could smother the plants. It should be applied in the fall when the temperature first reaches 20°F and used so as to cover the plants to a depth of three to four inches. About three to six tons of hay or straw per acre is needed. As soon as new strawberry leaves begin to grow in the

## Plants Required Per Acre

Plants required per acre at various planting distances:

| Rows          | Distance in Row | Plants per Acre |
|---------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| 3½ feet apart | 18 inches       | 8,325           |
| 3½ feet apart | 24 inches       | 6,225           |
| 3½ feet apart | 30 inches       | 5,000           |
| 4 feet apart  | 15 inches       | 8,750           |
| 4 feet apart  | 18 inches       | 7,300           |
| 4 feet apart  | 24 inches       | 5,425           |
| 4 feet apart  | 30 inches       | 4,375           |



spring the mulch should be removed so that only about an inch remains. The rest should be kept between the beds where it will help keep the berries clean and free of rot. Even in the south many berries are mulched to help keep them free of dirt and decay.

Frost damage to strawberries can be greatly reduced by spreading the mulch over the beds or by use of overhead irrigation. If one tenth inch of water is applied each hour the temperature is below 32°F the blossoms will not be damaged.

**Control of Diseases and Insects:** For prevention of damage from grubs, wireworms, root aphids and other soil insects we recommend 10 lbs. of actual chlordane per acre. We use it on all our fields and find that it does a wonderful job. Spittle-bugs may make a slimy froth on stems and leaves of strawberries; they can be controlled by Malathion and other insecticides. Sometimes berry rot can be quite a problem in strawberries. It can be controlled with Captain fungicide and proper cultural practices that prevent excessive vine growth.

If the red stele root disease is a problem it can be controlled by using some of the resistant varieties we offer. Sometimes a root disease known as Verticillium wilt will attack strawberries that are grown in land previously planted to potatoes or tomatoes. Vermilion, Catskill, Surecrop and Premier are fairly resistant to this trouble.

For further information concerning strawberry production write to your state agricultural experiment station. For 15c we will send a complete set of "Better Berries" which gives more details concerning culture of berry crops, fruits, and other crops. Send to Rayner Bros., Inc., Salisbury, Md.



BETTER BERRIES  
BUILT  
OUR BUSINESS

# PRICE LIST

SATISFACTION  
OR  
YOUR MONEY BACK

## Rayner's High Quality Strawberry Plants

These prices are F.O.B. Salisbury, Md. They apply only to purchase of the varieties indicated. Several varieties cannot be combined to obtain a lower rate. The prices listed in this catalog supercede all other prices previously listed by Rayner Bros. Complete planting instructions sent with each order. We do not sell less than 25 plants of a variety.

### ALL VARIETIES NOW REGISTERED VIRUS-FREE

|                    | 25        | 50     | 100    | 200    | 300    | 500     | 750     | 1000    | 5,000<br>lots<br>per<br>1000 |
|--------------------|-----------|--------|--------|--------|--------|---------|---------|---------|------------------------------|
| Early Varieties    | Plants    | Plants | Plants | Plants | Plants | Plants  | Plants  | Plants  |                              |
| BLAKEMORE (V.F.)   | \$.115    | \$1.90 | \$2.95 | \$5.25 | \$6.75 | \$ 9.40 | \$12.40 | \$15.00 | \$14.00                      |
| DIXIELAND (V.F.)   | .. 1.40   | 2.30   | 3.70   | 6.50   | 8.35   | 11.55   | 15.25   | 18.50   | 17.50                        |
| EARLIDAWN (V.F.)   | . 1.50    | 2.50   | 4.00   | 7.00   | 9.00   | 12.50   | 16.50   | 20.00   | 19.00                        |
| FAIRFAX (V.F.)     | .... 1.40 | 2.30   | 3.70   | 6.50   | 8.35   | 11.55   | 15.25   | 18.50   | 17.50                        |
| FLORIDA 90 (V.F.)  | .. 1.05   | 1.75   | 2.80   | 4.90   | 6.30   | 8.75    | 11.55   | 14.00   | 13.00                        |
| MIDLAND (V.F.)     | .... 1.45 | 2.40   | 3.90   | 6.85   | 8.75   | 12.10   | 15.95   | 19.50   | 18.50                        |
| PREMIER (V.F.)     | .... 1.35 | 2.25   | 3.60   | 6.30   | 8.10   | 11.25   | 14.85   | 18.00   | 17.00                        |
| REDGLOW (V.F.)     | ... 1.45  | 2.35   | 3.80   | 6.60   | 8.55   | 11.85   | 15.65   | 19.00   | 18.00                        |
| STELEMASTER (V.F.) | 1.45      | 2.35   | 3.80   | 6.60   | 8.55   | 11.85   | 15.65   | 19.00   | 18.00                        |

### Midseason Varieties

|                    |            |      |      |      |      |       |       |       |       |
|--------------------|------------|------|------|------|------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| CATSKILL (V.F.)    | .... 1.40  | 2.30 | 3.70 | 6.50 | 8.35 | 11.55 | 15.25 | 18.50 | 17.50 |
| EMPIRE (V.F.)      | ..... 1.45 | 2.35 | 3.80 | 6.60 | 8.55 | 11.85 | 15.65 | 19.00 | 18.00 |
| MIDWAY (V.F.)      | ..... 1.50 | 2.50 | 4.00 | 7.00 | 9.00 | 12.50 | 16.50 | 20.00 | 19.00 |
| POCAHONTAS (V.F.)  | 1.35       | 2.25 | 3.60 | 6.30 | 8.10 | 11.25 | 14.85 | 18.00 | 17.00 |
| ROBINSON (V.F.)    | ... 1.35   | 2.25 | 3.60 | 6.30 | 8.10 | 11.25 | 14.85 | 18.00 | 17.00 |
| SEN. DUNLAP (V.F.) | 1.15       | 1.90 | 2.95 | 5.25 | 6.75 | 9.40  | 12.40 | 15.00 | 14.00 |
| SURECROP (V.F.)    | ... 1.40   | 2.30 | 3.70 | 6.50 | 8.35 | 11.55 | 15.25 | 18.50 | 17.50 |
| VERMILION (V.F.)   | .. 1.35    | 2.25 | 3.60 | 6.30 | 8.10 | 11.25 | 14.85 | 18.00 | 17.00 |

### Late Varieties

|                     |            |      |      |      |      |       |       |       |       |
|---------------------|------------|------|------|------|------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| ALBRITTON (V.F.)    | .. 1.20    | 2.00 | 3.20 | 5.60 | 7.20 | 10.00 | 13.20 | 16.00 | 15.00 |
| ARMORE (V.F.)       | ..... 1.35 | 2.25 | 3.60 | 6.40 | 8.10 | 11.25 | 14.85 | 18.00 | 17.00 |
| JERSEYBELLE (V.F.)  | 1.45       | 2.40 | 3.90 | 6.85 | 8.75 | 12.10 | 15.95 | 19.50 | 18.50 |
| REDSTAR (V.F.)      | .... 1.45  | 2.40 | 3.90 | 6.85 | 8.75 | 12.10 | 15.95 | 19.50 | 18.50 |
| SPARKLE (V.F.)      | ..... 1.35 | 2.25 | 3.60 | 6.30 | 8.10 | 11.25 | 14.85 | 18.00 | 17.00 |
| TENN. BEAUTY (V.F.) | 1.30       | 2.15 | 3.50 | 6.10 | 7.85 | 10.95 | 14.35 | 17.50 | 16.50 |

### Everbearing Varieties

|                    |            |      |      |       |       |       |       |       |       |
|--------------------|------------|------|------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| GEM (V.F.)         | ..... 2.25 | 3.75 | 6.00 | 10.50 | 13.50 | 18.75 | 24.75 | 30.00 | 29.00 |
| STREAMLINER (V.F.) | 2.60       | 4.40 | 7.00 | 12.25 | 15.75 | 21.85 | 25.95 | 32.00 | 31.00 |
| SUPERFECTION (VF)  | 2.25       | 3.75 | 6.00 | 10.50 | 13.50 | 18.75 | 24.75 | 30.00 | 29.00 |

(V.F.) — Indicates plants are grown under virus-free conditions. See page 4 for definition of virus-free.

All of our plants are guaranteed. See page 3 for details of our guarantee.

TERMS — One-fourth  
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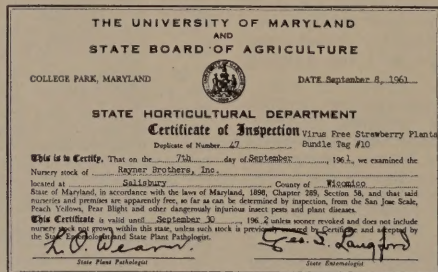
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WE WILL BE GLAD  
TO QUOTE DELIVER-  
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OUR PLANTS  
ARE  
CERTIFIED

A COPY  
OF OUR  
STATE  
CERTIFICATE  
IS SENT  
WITH EACH  
SHIPMENT





# HOW to FIGURE PARCEL POST RATES

Your Parcel Post ZONE is listed below with your State. Locate this ZONE number in the Parcel Post Rate Chart below and include postage for total weight of your shipment. Please note weight of each type of plant is listed. Please include this amount with your order. It will save you the C.O.D. collection charge made by the Postoffice on Parcel Post Collect shipments. On orders of 2,000 strawberry plants beyond the 3rd zone, and on all orders of more than 3,000 plants express is cheaper. Do not send money for express shipments since cost will be collected on delivery. If you do not indicate how to ship we will use best way, charges collect. After May 15 all postal orders of plants will be sent by "Special Handling" in order to prevent any delay during warm weather.

## YOUR ZONE NUMBER IS LISTED WITH YOUR STATE

|                |                 |                  |                  |                   |
|----------------|-----------------|------------------|------------------|-------------------|
| Alabama 5      | Indiana 4       | Montana 7        | North Dakota 7   | Texas 6           |
| Arizona 8      | Iowa 5          | Nebraska 6       | Ohio 4           | Utah 6            |
| Arkansas 5     | Kansas 6        | Nevada 8         | Oklahoma 6       | Vermont 4         |
| California 8   | Kentucky 4      | New Hampshire 4  | Oregon 8         | Virginia 3        |
| Colorado 7     | Louisiana 5     | New Jersey 2     | Pennsylvania 3   | (east of          |
| Connecticut 3  | Maine 4         | (north of New    | (Counties south  | Richmond 2)       |
| Delaware 1 & 2 | Maryland 1 & 2  | Brunswick 3)     | and east of      | Washington 8      |
| Dt. Columbia 2 | Massachusetts 4 | New Mexico 7     | Harrisburg 2)    | West Virginia 3   |
| Florida 5      | Michigan 4      | New York 3       | Rhode Island 3   | (Charleston and   |
| Georgia 4      | Minnesota 5     | (north of        | South Carolina 4 | south and west 4) |
| Idaho 8        | Mississippi 5   | Albany 4)        | South Dakota 6   | Wisconsin 5       |
| Illinois 5     | Missouri 5      | North Carolina 3 | Tennessee 5      | Wyoming 7         |

## WEIGHT TABLE\*

(Includes packing material & container)

| STRAWBERRIES       |                | BLACKBERRIES |         |
|--------------------|----------------|--------------|---------|
| Quantity of Plants | Weight in lbs. | Quantity     | Weight  |
| 25 Plants          | 1 lb.          | 6 Plants     | 3 lbs.  |
| 50 Plants          | 2 lbs.         | 12 Plants    | 6 lbs.  |
| 100 Plants         | 4 lbs.         | 25 Plants    | 10 lbs. |
| 200 Plants         | 8 lbs.         | 50 Plants    | 15 lbs. |
| 300 Plants         | 12 lbs.        | 100 Plants   | 20 lbs. |
| 400 Plants         | 16 lbs.        | 250 Plants   | 50 lbs. |
| 500 Plants         | 20 lbs.        |              |         |
| 750 Plants         | 25 lbs.        |              |         |
| 1000 Plants        | 30 lbs.        |              |         |

| RASPBERRIES     |        | GRAPES, RHUBARB |           |
|-----------------|--------|-----------------|-----------|
| Quantity        | Weight | Quantity        | Weight    |
| 3 Vines or      |        | Roots           | 4 lbs.    |
| each additional |        | add             | 12 ounces |

| BLUEBERRIES               |       | Weight   |
|---------------------------|-------|----------|
| Quantity                  |       |          |
| 6 Plants 1 yr., 3-9"      | ..... | 2 lbs.   |
| each additional plant add | ..... | 2 ounces |
| 6 Plants 2 yr., 9-12"     | ..... | 5 lbs.   |
| each additional plant add | ..... | 3 ounces |
| 6 Plants 3 yr., 12-18"    | ..... | 12 lbs.  |
| each additional plant add | ..... | 1 lb.    |
| 6 Plants 3 yr., 18-24"    | ..... | 15 lbs.  |
| each additional plant add | ..... | 1½ lbs.  |
| 6 Plants - Jumbo Size     | ..... | 18 lbs.  |
| each additional plant add | ..... | 2 lbs.   |

## SHRUBS AND TREES

|                           |       |        |
|---------------------------|-------|--------|
| Not over 2 ft. tall, each | ..... | 1 lb.  |
| 2 ft. to 4 ft. tall, each | ..... | 2 lbs. |

EVERGREEN SEEDLINGS — 5 lbs. per 100 plants and 45 lbs. per 1,000.

MULTIFLORA ROSE — 10 lbs. per 100 plants.

\* Due to variation in plants these are approximate weights only. If you send too much for postage we will promptly refund any over payment. If not enough is sent we will request it.

## PLEASE INCLUDE POSTAGE WITH ORDER

If you send too much we will promptly rebate at time of shipment. FOR SPECIAL HANDLING please add 25c on orders up to 2 lbs.; 35c up to 10 lbs., and 50c if over 10 lbs. Mark on order, "Ship Special Handling." This is a service of the United States Post Office.

| PARCEL POST RATES |             |        |        |        |        |        |        |
|-------------------|-------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Pounds            | Zones 1 & 2 | Zone 3 | Zone 4 | Zone 5 | Zone 6 | Zone 7 | Zone 8 |
| 2 ....            | \$ .33      | \$ .35 | \$ .39 | \$ .45 | \$ .51 | \$ .58 | \$ .64 |
| 3 ....            | .38         | .41    | .47    | .55    | .64    | .74    | .83    |
| 4 ....            | .43         | .47    | .55    | .65    | .77    | .90    | 1.02   |
| 5 ....            | .48         | .53    | .63    | .75    | .90    | 1.06   | 1.21   |
| 6 ....            | .53         | .59    | .70    | .85    | 1.03   | 1.22   | 1.40   |
| 7 ....            | .58         | .65    | .77    | .95    | 1.16   | 1.38   | 1.59   |
| 8 ....            | .63         | .71    | .84    | 1.05   | 1.29   | 1.54   | 1.78   |
| 9 ....            | .68         | .77    | .91    | 1.15   | 1.42   | 1.70   | 1.97   |
| 10 ....           | .73         | .83    | .98    | 1.25   | 1.55   | 1.86   | 2.16   |
| 11 ....           | .77         | .89    | 1.05   | 1.35   | 1.67   | 2.02   | 2.34   |
| 12 ....           | .81         | .95    | 1.12   | 1.45   | 1.79   | 2.18   | 2.52   |
| 13 ....           | .85         | 1.01   | 1.19   | 1.55   | 1.91   | 2.34   | 2.70   |
| 14 ....           | .89         | 1.07   | 1.26   | 1.65   | 2.03   | 2.50   | 2.88   |
| 15 ....           | .93         | 1.13   | 1.33   | 1.75   | 2.15   | 2.66   | 3.06   |
| 16 ....           | .97         | 1.18   | 1.40   | 1.85   | 2.27   | 2.81   | 3.24   |
| 17 ....           | 1.01        | 1.23   | 1.47   | 1.95   | 2.39   | 2.96   | 3.42   |
| 18 ....           | 1.05        | 1.28   | 1.54   | 2.05   | 2.51   | 3.11   | 3.60   |
| 19 ....           | 1.09        | 1.33   | 1.61   | 2.15   | 2.63   | 3.26   | 3.78   |
| 20 ....           | 1.13        | 1.38   | 1.68   | 2.25   | 2.75   | 3.41   | 3.96   |
| 21 ....           | 1.17        | 1.43   | 1.75   | 2.34   | 2.87   | 3.56   | 4.14   |
| 22 ....           | 1.21        | 1.48   | 1.82   | 2.43   | 2.99   | 3.71   | 4.32   |
| 23 ....           | 1.25        | 1.53   | 1.89   | 2.52   | 3.11   | 3.86   | 4.50   |
| 24 ....           | 1.29        | 1.58   | 1.96   | 2.61   | 3.23   | 4.01   | 4.68   |
| 25 ....           | 1.33        | 1.63   | 2.03   | 2.70   | 3.35   | 4.16   | 4.86   |
| 30 ....           | 1.53        | 1.88   | 2.38   | 3.15   | 3.95   | 4.91   | 5.76   |
| 35 ....           | 1.73        | 2.13   | 2.73   | 3.60   | 4.50   | 5.61   | 6.61   |
| 40 ....           | 1.93        | 2.38   | 3.08   | 4.05   | 5.05   | 6.31   | 7.46   |
| 45 ....           | 2.13        | 2.63   | 3.43   | 4.50   | 5.60   | 7.01   | 8.26   |
| 50 ....           | 2.33        | 2.88   | 3.78   | 4.95   | 6.15   | 7.71   | 9.06   |
| 55 ....           | 2.53        | 3.13   | 4.08   | 5.35   | 6.70   | 8.36   | 9.86   |
| 60 ....           | 2.73        | 3.38   | 4.38   | 5.75   | 7.25   | 9.01   | 10.66  |
| 65 ....           | 2.93        | 3.63   | 4.68   | 6.15   | 7.80   | 9.66   | 11.46  |
| 70 ....           | 3.13        | 3.88   | 4.98   | 6.55   | 8.35   | 10.31  | 12.26  |

We will notify you by first class mail the day your order is shipped. Be on the alert for your plants so there will be no delay in receiving them. Rayner's plants are guaranteed.



# RED RASPBERRIES



## SEPTEMBER NEW RED EVERBEARING

The September raspberry variety was developed by the New York State Experiment Station and is an outstanding contribution to the berry industry. It is an everbearing type of red raspberry that produces a large crop in June and yet another fine crop in September. This fall crop is considerably earlier than that of other everbearing raspberries so September is especially desirable. The berries are unusually large and have a delicious flavor. You will surely want some of this wonderful variety in your garden.

6 for \$2.15; 12 for \$3.15; 25 for \$4.95

(See Page 19 For Postal Rates.)

DELICIOUS  
FLAVOR

## LATHAM

MOST WIDELY  
GROWN RED

Latham is the standard red raspberry for most of the eastern United States. Its plants are strong and hardy and produce bumper crops of large, firm, delicious fruit. It grows well in many soil types and has high resistance to diseases. Berries are of very high quality — good for fresh market, for freezing, or preserving. Latham is an excellent commercial variety because it produces big crops of berries that can be carried long distances to market. If you want red Raspberries you want Latham. See next page for prices.

EXTRA LARGE  
RED RASPBERRY

## TAYLOR

FINE FLAVOR, GOOD  
PRODUCTION, HARDY

Taylor is an excellent early red raspberry, ripening a few days before Latham. Its berries are very large and have an elongate shape. The berries have a fine color, good texture, and excellent flavor. For freezing Taylor is outstanding. Plants are tall, vigorous, and productive and usually so sturdy that they can be grown without support if properly pruned. In New York and other northern states Taylor shows good winter hardiness and has such superior fruit that it is one of the best of all raspberries.

## GROWING RASPBERRIES

Raspberries give best results in areas where the summers are not unusually hot or dry. Therefore they are not generally grown south of Tennessee and Missouri. A good, fertile soil that retains moisture but is still not poorly drained gives best results. Raspberries should be planted in early spring for best results. If possible a high amount of well rotted manure should be mixed into the soil before planting. Also a regular spring application of about 450 pounds per acre of 10-10-10 fertilizer is important. This is equivalent to about 6 ounces per plant. In small plantings the rows are usually 6 feet apart

with 4 feet between plants. Raspberries are generally planted in early spring and will produce a crop about 15 months after planting. The canes are tied to wires or to posts, depending upon the planting system. After the first fruiting season the fruiting canes of regular red and black raspberries are pruned out — leaving the new canes which will bear fruit the next season. In the case of everbearing raspberries the canes which produced the fall crop should not be pruned out but only slightly cut back in the spring. For best results with raspberries a recommended spray program for control of diseases and insects is necessary.



# BLACK RASPBERRIES

## ✓ CUMBERLAND

For dependable production of fine berries of excellent quality Cumberland has long been outstanding. This midseason variety is very vigorous and hardy.

## ✓ BRISTOL

An excellent early variety that has rapidly become the most important black raspberry in Ohio and other areas. Top yields of large, high quality berries.

## ✓ LOGAN

Another fine early variety that is rapidly gaining in popularity. Berries are large and of excellent quality. This is the improved new Logan strain.

## ✓ MORRISON

This late season variety keeps producing fine, large berries after other black raspberries are gone. Plants are vigorous and hardy.



### PRICE LIST OF ALL RASPBERRY PLANTS

| 3 plants | 6      | 12     | 25     | 50     | 100     | 200     | 300     | 400     | 500     | 750     | 1000    |
|----------|--------|--------|--------|--------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| \$1.35   | \$2.15 | \$3.15 | \$4.95 | \$8.85 | \$14.95 | \$27.25 | \$36.75 | \$45.95 | \$52.25 | \$71.75 | \$95.00 |

These are certified 1 year, No. 1, well rooted plants and are guaranteed to give good results. Prices do not include postage. See Page 19.

June 2, 1961

The bed of Latham Raspberries, obtained from you 4 years ago, is a beautiful sight. Frequently strangers stop to inquire about them. We have 35 plants and last year picked \$110.00 worth from this small patch.

Gardiner, Maine

Dick Webster

## Blackberries



## ✓ New! DARROW

Unquestionably the finest of all blackberries. This new introduction of the N. Y. Experiment Station has very heavy production of delicious, large, firm berries that are about 1 inch long and  $\frac{3}{4}$  inch wide. Plants are very vigorous and especially winter hardy. Darrow has proven to be outstanding for dependable early production.

3 Plants \$2.25; 6 Plants \$4.25; 12 for \$6.30; 25 for \$9.95; 50 for \$17.25; 100 for \$31.90

## ✓ HEDRICK

A very productive late blackberry with excellent vigor and good winter hardiness. Berries are large, firm, and have a fine sweet flavor.

3 Plants \$1.95; 6 Plants \$3.60; 12 for \$5.25; 25 for \$8.25; 50 for \$14.25; 100 for \$26.50. Prices in this catalog do not include postage. See page 19 for rates.

## ✓ NEW! THORNLESS BOYSENBERRY

Boysenberries have been rapidly increasing in popularity during recent years. However, with the development of this wonderful thornless vine, boysenberries are really going to town. This bramble fruit is related to blackberries and raspberries, combining the best qualities of both. The berries are very large and have a sweet, delicious flavor.

1 yr., No. 1 Plants, 10 for \$2.75; 25 for \$4.95. See Page 19 for Parcel Post Rates.

BUY RAYNER'S PLANTS AND YOU BUY THE BEST



GET THE FULL FLAVOR OF VINE-RIPENED GRAPES

# Grapes

## THE OUTSTANDING EASTERN VARIETIES

### ✓ CONCORD — The Best Blue

This wonderful variety has what most people mean when they say "that real grape flavor." It is one of the most delicious of all grapes for fresh eating. Concord is also an old favorite for jams, jelly, and juice. Since about 1844 this variety has proven beyond any doubt that it is hardy in New England and westward into Missouri. Vines of Concord are very vigorous and productive. **Concord is tops either as a home garden or commercial variety.** It is still the leading grape variety in much of the Eastern United States.

Order Rayner's quality stock of this excellent variety and get the best.

### ✓ CACO — The Best Red

This is a late-midseason, light-red variety that is very vigorous and hardy under a wide range of climates and soil types. **Berries of Caco are large and of high quality.** Its bright, juicy fruit make Caco excellent for the home garden as well as for commercial plantings. It is adapted to about the same area as Concord.

### ✓ NIAGARA — The Best White

Niagara is a real favorite with those who know grapes because of its unusual vigor, high yields, and large, uniform clusters. The skin is tender and the flesh is sweet and juicy. Adapted to most of the Concord area.

### ✓ FREDONIA—Outstanding Flavor

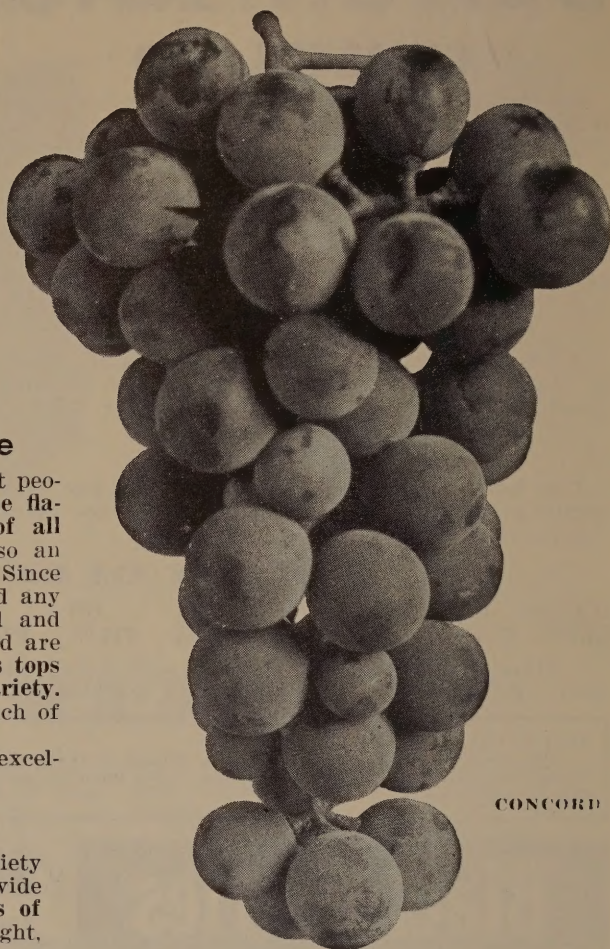
For several years we have watched the performance of Fredonia and believe it is one of the best of all eastern grapes. It has unusually fine flavor, a deep blue color, and high quality. Fredonia ripens early and is very productive and winter hardy.

## PRICE LIST CONCORD, NIAGARA, CACO, FREDONIA

2 Year, No. 1 Plants

85 cents each; 3 for \$2.25; 10 for \$6.30; 25 for \$13.10. These are extra large, vigorous plants.

(See page 19 for Postal Rates)



CONCORD

Illustration about two-thirds actual size

## GRAPES ARE EASY TO GROW AND LAST FOR YEARS

Grape vines may be planted in early Spring or in the Fall in November and December. Grapes should be set in a well-drained soil that would produce garden crops.

Vines are usually planted 8 to 10 feet apart in the home garden and where a vineyard is planned the rows should be 10 feet apart. Grapes may be trained along a garden fence or a regular arbor may be constructed to suit the desired arrangement in the garden.

A simple method of support is followed by commercial growers. Wires are strung from posts with top wire 5 feet above the ground and the lower wire 2½ feet above the ground.

Pruning is one of the most important factors in obtaining marvelous grape harvests. Our Better Berries Bulletin No. 3 completely outlines most popular pruning methods; also illustrates simple support methods.

COMPLETE PLANTING INSTRUCTIONS will be sent with your order.

BUY RAYNER'S PLANTS AND YOU BUY THE BEST



**Tender, Fresh**

# ASPARAGUS

## From Your Own Plantings Year After Year

Asparagus is one of the first vegetables to make appearance in the Spring and its succulent, green stalks are a welcome change to the table. Because of its earliness, asparagus can be depended upon to realize a profit and there is an ever increasing demand for canning and freezing.

Any home gardener can enjoy delicious, healthy asparagus fresh from his garden six to ten weeks each spring. Cooked, frozen or canned immediately after it is cut is the way to really enjoy asparagus. You won't believe the difference until you try it from your own plantings.

## Plant This Great Strain of Mary Washington Roots

Favorite heavy yielder developed by the U. S. Department of Agriculture. The best you can plant for high production and quality. Our MARY WASHINGTON is from the "Roberts" seed selections, very early, a strong grower, and produces shoots of finest quality, more uniform in size, shape and color than others. Healthy green color, rich flavor and juicy tenderness.

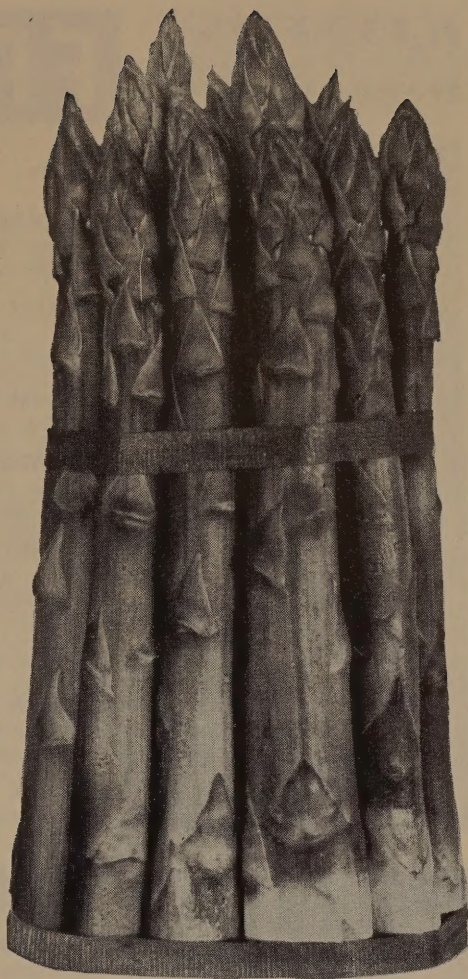
50 to 100 roots supply an average family. 200 roots will take care of canning, freezing needs, too.

A planting of Rayner's asparagus will yield loads of fine food for many years. Plant early in the spring in fertile soil to which about 5 pounds of 10-6-4 fertilizer per 100 square feet has been added. Spread the roots in a trench about 6 inches deep and 8 inches wide. Place plants about 16 inches apart and cover crowns with about 2 inches of soil. As the plants begin to make new growth gradually fill the trench.

## ASPARAGUS PRICES — ORDER EARLY FOR SPRING PLANTING

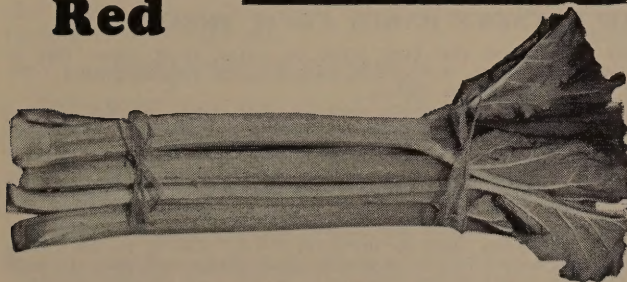
Big three year roots will produce stalks large enough for cutting the second year and a big crop each year thereafter. Produces 15 to 20 years. Complete planting instructions with order.

| See Page 19 For Postal Rates. | 25     | 50     | 100     | 250     | 500     | 1000    |
|-------------------------------|--------|--------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| 3 year Jumbo .....            | \$4.50 | \$7.50 | \$12.00 | \$24.00 | \$42.50 | \$75.00 |
| 2 year No. 1 Roots .....      | 2.60   | 4.35   | 7.00    | 14.00   | 26.85   | 45.00   |
| 1 year No. 1 Roots .....      | 1.70   | 2.80   | 4.50    | 9.00    | 16.95   | 27.50   |



**MacDonald  
Red**

**RHUBARB**



RHUBARB is a very popular perennial where winters are sufficiently cold to freeze ground 3 to 4 inches. A few plants well tended make an excellent supply for sauce and pies.

We offer only the MacDonald Red variety because of its marked superiority. Matures earlier, sweeter, and one planting lasts a lifetime. Plant in Spring, 3 to 4 feet apart.

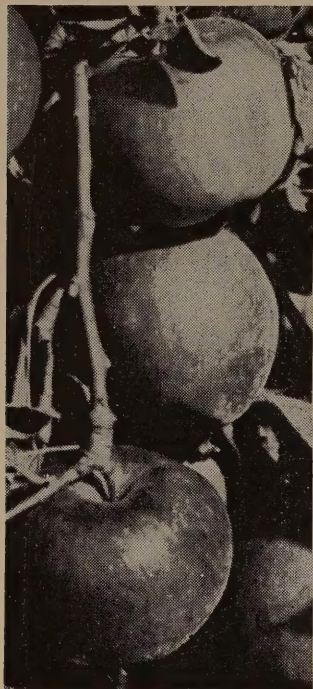
**Prices For Large, Vigorous Divisions**  
\$1.00 each; 3 for \$2.70; 10 for \$8.00

**BUY RAYNER'S PLANTS AND YOU BUY THE BEST**



# FRUIT TREES

## APPLE TREES



✓ **WINESAP-IMPROVED STRAIN.** Beautiful deep red color. Vigorous, hardy, productive, early bearing. Rich flavor. Crisp, tender apples of long-keeping quality.

✓ **GRIME'S GOLDEN.** A vigorous producer of excellent Fall apples. Big golden yellow, tender, crisp apples of fancy dessert quality.

✓ **YELLOW DELICIOUS.** Heavy yielding, early bearing. Bright golden yellow, crisp, juicy apples. National favorite.

✓ **RED McINTOSH.** A leading commercial variety. Fancy red apples with white, tender flesh of high quality and aroma. Tree very hardy and vigorous.

✓ **RED DELICIOUS.** Large apples of rich red color and excellent flavor and aroma. Uniform fruit. Tree very hardy. Great favorite with home gardeners as well as orchardists.

## PEACH TREES

✓ **REDWIN (U. S. Plant Patent # 1661)...** Extra early, new, white peach of large size. Hardy through New Jersey and excellent in the southern peach area. Very vigorous.

✓ **GOLDEN JUBILEE.** An unusually hardy tree unequalled for production of early yellow, freestone peaches of exceptional quality. 3 to 4 weeks before Elberta.

✓ **HALE HAVEN.** A deep crimson freestone peach. Flesh is golden-yellow, firm and of unusually good flavor. Strong, thrifty.

✓ **BELLE OF GEORGIA.** Considered the best of white-fleshed peaches. Large size, freestone. Delicious flavor.

✓ **ELBERTA.** This variety is most widely planted because it is adaptable to a wide range of soils and climates. Most popular market peach. Beautifully colored, firm, juicy.

Please include postage with your order. See page 19 for Postal Rates.

### PARCEL POST SIZES

\$1.75 each  
3 to 4 ft. 10 to 49 trees \$7.50 ea.  
50 trees or more \$1.00 ea.

### EXPRESS SHIPMENT SIZES

\$2.50 each  
5 to 6 ft. 10 to 49 trees \$1.95 ea.  
50 trees or more \$1.45 ea.

You may combine all peach and apple varieties for quantity rate.

All of our trees are shipped "full length" but if notified we will prune them to proper planting length (see below). One or two Express size trees can be pruned to meet Parcel Post mailing regulations. More than two Express size trees must be sent by Railway Express.

## HOW TO PLANT AND GROW RAYNER'S HARDY FRUIT TREES

Below the Mason-Dixon line fall is generally considered the best time to plant fruit trees but in northern states there is too much danger of winter injury so spring planting is recommended. We do not guarantee nursery stock planted in the fall in northern states.

A hole should be dug that is slightly deeper and wider than the root system. Place fertile top soil in the bottom of the hole so that the upper roots will be about two inches below the surface. Next add more soil to fill in the hole packing it firmly around the roots and adding water. Be sure to eliminate air pockets around the roots.

Apples, cherries, and pears should be pruned to a main stem with 2 or 3 side branches while peaches should be cut back to a single stem about 2 ft. tall. Maintain a heavy mulch of sawdust or other organic matter around each tree and wrap the lower stem with fine-mesh wire if there is danger of rabbit injury. In early spring apply manure or complete fertilizer such as 10-6-4 or 8-8-8. Use ½ lb. on young trees and 3 to 4 lbs. on older trees. Write for Rayner's No. 16 bulletin describing culture of fruit trees. Obtain spraying information from your State Agriculture Extension Service or County Agent.

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# PEAR TREES

**BARTLETT.** Old favorite pear considered best for home garden and market throughout the northern half of country. Large, golden yellow pears have a reddish blush. Flavor excellent, Vigorous, highly productive.

**CLAPP'S FAVORITE.** An excellent producer of large, lemon-colored pears with dotted brown markings. Flavor delicate, juicy, sweet. Hardy, vigorous. Pollinator for Bartlett, Seckel, and Devoe.

**SECKEL.** A pear of excellent flavor, fruiting in September and October. Fruit medium-sized with a deep brown, reddish cheek when fully ripe. Vigorous, disease resistant.

Parcel Post Size (2 yr., 3-4 ft.)      Express Size (2 yr., 4-5 ft.)  
Ea. \$2.10; 10 or more \$1.50 ea.      Ea. \$2.40; 10 or more \$2.10 ea.



## **New DEVOE PEAR** U. S. PLANT PATENT # 728

Because of its high resistance to the fire blight disease, excellent fruit quality, and high production Devoe is rapidly becoming a leading pear in the east. It can be grown successfully in southeastern states where blight is such a problem. Thus, if you have had trouble with pears be sure and try Devoe. The fruit is elongate and has a light-yellow skin tinged with red. The white flesh is firm, of delicious flavor, and free of grit cells. The trees are very vigorous and bear large crops without breakage. Devoe ripens in September about Bartlett season. Devoe is apparently very self-fruitful but like other pears, we advise that 2 or more varieties should be grown nearby for cross pollination.

Parcel Post Size (2 yr., 3-4 ft.)      Express Size (2 yr., 4-5 ft.)  
\$2.45 each; 3 for \$6.50      \$2.95 each; 3 for \$7.95  
See page 19 for Postal Rates.

## **Montmorency SOUR CHERRY**

For commercial plantings as well as home use Montmorency is by far the leading variety of sour cherry. The fruit are large, firm, and have a beautiful bright red color. Fruit first ripens in early July and can be kept on the tree about a month. This variety is self-fertile.

Rayner's stock of Montmorency is of the excellent virus-free strain.

Well rooted 2 yr. trees, 3-4 ft. tall are \$1.95 each; five or more \$1.65 each. See Page 19 for Postal Rates.

## **PLUMS, PRUNES, AND DAMSONS**

### **STANLEY PRUNE**

These prune-plums are large and have a fine blue color and a golden-yellow flesh when full ripe. The trees are hardy and very vigorous. A fine tree for any home garden. A truly delicious fruit.

### **ITALIAN PRUNE**

Another excellent prune-plum is the Italian or Fellemburg variety. Its fruit is dark purple and of large size. The flesh is yellowish and juicy, with a fine flavor when ripe. This variety is very vigorous.

### **SHROPSHIRE DAMSON**

If you want those famous old-fashioned damson preserves the Shropshire variety is best. The deep-blue fruit are produced in great abundance and when fully ripe are also nice for fresh eating.

### **METHLEY PLUM**

This fine reddish-purple plum is of large size and has bright red flesh. It is excellent when fully ripe having a very distinctive, sweet flavor. The trees are vigorous and give good crops each year.

### **ABUNDANCE PLUM**

This excellent Oriental plum produces fine red fruit with yellow flesh. They are juicy and have fine flavor when ripe. Trees are vigorous and hardy and begin to produce large crops while still quite young.

### **YELLOW EGG PLUM**

For high quality fruit it is practically impossible to surpass the Yellow-Egg plum. Its fruit are large, golden in color, and have a beautiful golden flesh. This is a late season variety and produces very good yields.

These Plums are all of the 2-yr., 3-4 ft. size. Price is \$2.25 each or 3 for \$6.50. Prices in this catalog do not include Postage. See Page 19 for Postal Rates.



# DWARF FRUIT TREES

ORNAMENTAL - PRODUCTIVE. SAVE VALUABLE GARDEN SPACE

**Trees Are Small Yet Fruit Is Of Regular Size And Quality**

No longer just a special feature of exclusive gardens, dwarf fruit trees are now available to all, and at reasonable prices. These wonderful space saving trees are produced by budding or grafting regular varieties on special dwarfing rootstocks. Apples are usually dwarfed by use of the Malling IX root system and Quince rootstocks produce dwarf pears. Peaches are budded to special dwarfing root systems. Even though the trees remain much smaller the fruit is of full size and quality. One outstanding feature of dwarf trees is that they begin to bear fruit when only 3 or 4 years old. Just the thing for home gardens where space is so valuable. Write for Rayner's Bulletin No. 16 on Culture of Dwarf Trees.



## Dwarf Apple Trees

Rayner's high quality dwarf apples are available in the following varieties.

|                 |                         |
|-----------------|-------------------------|
| <b>McINTOSH</b> | <b>RED DELICIOUS</b>    |
| <b>WINESAP</b>  | <b>YELLOW DELICIOUS</b> |

Same fruit as large apple trees. See variety description on page 24.

|                                              |
|----------------------------------------------|
| 3 feet up, \$2.95 each                       |
| 3 trees for \$7.50      10 trees for \$23.50 |
| plus postage                                 |

## Dwarf Pear Trees

We have these famous varieties of Pears on dependable dwarf stock. Plant 2 or 3 varieties for Pollination.

|                 |                             |
|-----------------|-----------------------------|
| <b>BARTLETT</b> | <b>CLAPP'S FAVORITE</b>     |
| <b>SECKEL</b>   | <b>DEVOE (Pat. No. 728)</b> |

Same fruit as large pear trees. See variety description on page 25.

|                                              |
|----------------------------------------------|
| 3 feet up, \$2.95 each                       |
| 3 trees for \$7.50      10 trees for \$23.50 |
| plus postage                                 |

## Dwarf Peach Trees

One of the most attractive ornamental trees in the spring when it is loaded with beautiful pink blossoms. Then in the summer you will harvest an abundance of delicious, full-size fruit. These trees usually reach 8 to 10 ft. at maturity and begin to bear in 2-3 years.

3-4 ft. branched trees, \$3.15 each; 3 for \$8.85 plus postage.

|                                      |
|--------------------------------------|
| <b>RED HAVEN (Early)</b>             |
| <b>BELLE OF GEORGIA (Mid-Season)</b> |

|                                    |
|------------------------------------|
| <b>GOLDEN JUBILEE (Mid-Season)</b> |
| <b>ELBERTA (Late)</b>              |

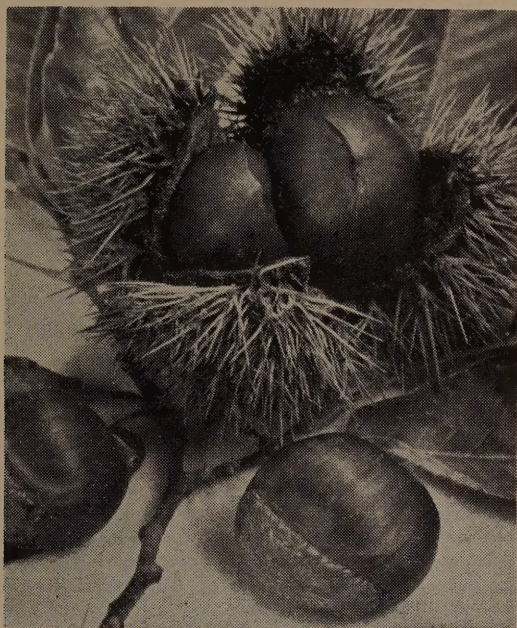
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ORNAMENTAL  
AND SHADE

# NUT TREES

BOUNTIFUL  
HARVESTS



FAST GROWING; EARLY-PRODUCING

## Chinese Chestnut

HARDY BLIGHT RESISTANT

Here is the most popular of all nut trees. In a short time it becomes one of the most beautiful trees on your place and you will look forward to each fall harvest of delicious nuts.

Chinese Chestnuts are highly resistant to the blight disease, very hardy, and will produce excellent crops of large nuts, when only a few years old. The trees are vigorous and have a spreading shape that makes them fine for shade as well as for their crop. Plant 2 or more trees for cross-pollination. These are vigorous seedlings selected from highly productive trees. Be sure to include postage with order.

### Parcel Post Size

2 to 3 ft. \$1.60 each

10 to 49 trees; \$1.40 each

50 or more: \$1.25 each

### Express Shipment

Sizes

4 to 5 ft. \$2.95 each

10 to 49 trees: \$2.75 each

50 or more: \$2.60 each

Complete planting instructions with each order.

## American Filbert

(Hazel Nut)

A small, attractive nut tree commonly known as HAZEL NUT. A good dependable type commonly planted in northeastern states. Use two or more varieties for cross-pollination.

2-3 ft. trees, \$1.95 each

## Barcelona Filbert

Because of its high yields of large nuts Barcelona is an important commercial filbert in Oregon and Washington. It is also a fine variety for the northeastern area.

2-3 ft. trees, \$2.95 each

## Du Chilly Filbert

Du Chilly is another popular filbert with dependable production of large nuts. It appears to be a good pollinating variety for other filberts.

2-3 ft. trees, \$2.95 each

## THOMAS BLACK WALNUT

These sturdy grafted trees are the best black walnuts available. Very vigorous, giving good yields of large meaty nuts into central New York. Grows best in deep, well drained soil. Use another black walnut for cross-pollination.

2-3 ft. size: \$3.85 each; 3 for \$9.90 plus postage

## GRAFTED STUART PECAN

Pecans are native to Illinois and will grow very well in areas where winter weather reaches well below zero. North of the Mason-Dixon line nut production is irregular but the trees are highly prized for their shade and ornamental value. They are tall-growing and have graceful, spreading branches that are very beautiful. In all of the southeastern area these grafted Stuart trees are dependable producers of big, thin-shelled nuts having high quality kernels. Plant two or more trees for cross pollination.

2-3 ft. size \$3.85 each; 3 for \$9.90 plus Postage

## CARPATHIAN ENGLISH WALNUT

Mature Trees Are Hardy to 40 Below Zero

This is the exceptionally hardy Persian or English walnut that has become so popular in most of the northern states. Mature trees are said to be hardy to 40° below zero and still produce big crops of large, thin-shelled, meaty nuts. The trees are very vigorous and have a nice spreading shape which is ideal for shade. Plant 2 or more trees for cross-pollination. These are vigorous, well-rooted, seedling trees.

2-3 ft. size, \$3.25 each; 3 for \$9.00 plus postage

## HALL'S HARDY ALMOND

These favorite nut trees are closely related to peaches and require about the same climate. They also produce a similar type of tree with beautiful pink blossoms and will begin to bear in 3 or 4 years. Plant 2 or more for cross-pollination.

Sturdy 3-4 ft. trees: \$2.75 each; 3 for \$7.50  
See postal rates page 19.

BUY RAYNER'S PLANTS AND YOU BUY THE BEST



**WE SPECIALIZE IN YOUNG TREES OF VARIETIES THAT WILL GIVE EXTRA FAST GROWTH. YOU CAN REALLY SAVE WITH YOUNG TREES AND BE SURE OF GOOD RESULTS. THESE TREES WILL SOON DEVELOP INTO BEAUTIFUL SPECIMENS.**

## Japanese Yews (Taxus)

Yews are the finest of all evergreens for landscape planting. Their deep green foliage makes a solid wall of beauty that adds charm and value to any home. Easily kept to any shape by regular shearing; grows well in sun or shade; and in any well-drained soil. Plant upright type at corners and other locations where height is desired and spreaders under windows or other locations where a plant of broad, low shape is required. Be sure to specify upright or spreader when ordering.

**Prices in this catalog do not include postage.**

2 yr. 10-12 inch: \$1.00 each; 3 for \$2.75.  
See page 19 for postal rates.

## American Holly Seedlings

Only the female holly trees produce the well-known bright red berries but male trees are needed for pollination. These vigorous seedlings are about 12-16 inches tall and usually consist of about equal proportions of male and female trees. But the sex cannot be determined in seedlings. American holly thrives from Georgia to Massachusetts and prefers a moist, acid soil.

6 for \$2.95; 12 for \$5.25; 25 for \$10.00

## Potted Holly Plants

These hollies were raised from cuttings from male or female trees so the sex is known. Sold only in the combination of 2 female and 1 male. Approximately 12-15 inches tall.

3 HOLLY PLANTS from pots, \$3.95.

## Weeping Willow

For graceful beauty the weeping willow is outstanding. In most of the New England states, west to the Mississippi, and in the south it is a favorite for plantings near river and stream banks, but also gives good results in dry land. This is the old-fashioned strain of willow that is so easy to grow and is very hardy.

3-4 ft. trees \$1.25; 3 for \$3.00 PLUS  
5-6 ft. trees \$2.25; 3 for \$5.50 POSTAGE

## Rhododendrons

These magnificent evergreens are among the finest of flowering shrubs. Rhododendrons give best results in shady locations where the soil is acid and there is a good supply of moisture. Soil preparation is the same as described in this catalog for blueberries. This is a hybrid seedling so we cannot specify as to color but they are generally shades of pink. Hardy in all but the coldest states.

10-12" plants, \$1.65 each; 3 for \$4.25

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## Magnolia Grandiflora

This is the beautiful magnolia that produces fragrant white blossoms up to 6 or 8 inches wide. Can be grown as far north as parts of New York state but is at its best in the south. Prefers moist, fertile, acid soil and may reach a height of 50 feet.

12-18" size: \$1.95 each; 3 for \$5.00

# Multiflora Rose



**Protects Your Property With An Impenetrable Thorny Barrier. Excellent Bird and Game Cover!**

**Not Just A Beautiful Plant —  
But A Practical Living Fence.**

**In All Types of Soil The Cheapest  
Fencing You Can Buy - It Mends  
Itself - It Lasts A Lifetime!**

**Grows Rapidly!**

**Suitable For All U. S. A. Except Most  
Northern Areas.**

### MULTIFLORA ROSE PRICE LIST

#### Vigorous 12-18" Branched Plants

|                  |        |
|------------------|--------|
| 25 plants .....  | \$2.25 |
| 50 plants .....  | 4.15   |
| 100 plants ..... | 7.50   |
| 500 plants ..... | 30.00  |

See Page 19 For Postal Rates



# Evergreen Seedlings

Rayner's pines and spruces are excellent for Christmas tree plantings — seedlings that cost only a few pennies now will soon be worth dollars. Make poor land or hillsides produce a real profit. Ideal for erosion control, wind-breaks, and hedges. For ornamental use plant in a nursery bed and soon you will have ideal specimen trees for your own use and for sale.

## SCOTCH PINE

This is one of the best trees for Christmas plantings since it grows very fast and will reach saleable size in 5 years. Grows well in dry or moist soil and makes a nicely shaped tree with very little shearing. Our special French strain Scotch Pine have a very nice blue-green color which holds well in coldest weather. Excellent for ornamental use.

## AUSTRIAN PINE

Another popular tree for Christmas plantings or ornamental use. Will grow well in nearly any soil from sand to clay and will tolerate industrial smoke and fumes that kill other pines. Needles are dark green and quite stiff. Develops into nice bushy saleable tree in about 7 years.

## DOUGLAS FIR

This has long been a favorite tree for Christmas plantings since it has a naturally compact type of growth. With relatively little shearing it will produce high-grade trees. Needles of Douglas fir are short and have a blue-green color. Best results are obtained in soils that are not too heavy or poorly drained. Our trees are of the special San Isabel, Colorado, strain that is the best of all Douglas Fir.

## WHITE PINE

One of the most beautiful of all trees with soft, slender needles having a fine light-green color. White pines grow well in nearly any soil type and will give good results in poorly-drained land where most other pines will not grow. For Christmas trees, shearing is necessary but in 6 years an excellent compact tree can be produced.

## NORWAY SPRUCE

Norway Spruce has long been a favorite specimen tree in northern gardens where its stately beauty cannot be excelled. But as a Christmas tree it is also outstanding since with reasonable shearing it will produce fine compact trees with a nice pyramidal shape. Prefers moist soils rather than dry land and will make a nice tree in about 8 years.

## COLORADO BLUE SPRUCE

A truly magnificent tree with an outstandingly different blue-green color. In contrast with other evergreens this blue spruce is most unusual and thus is highly prized for its ornamental value. This beautiful color likewise makes it a very desirable tree for Christmas use, bringing top prices. Gives good results in moist, fertile soil and requires relatively little shearing.

## CANADIAN HEMLOCK

For graceful beauty the hemlock cannot be excelled. It produces short, dark-green needles which gives its long drooping boughs an almost feathery appearance. Only on large parks and estates should it be allowed to develop into its full magnificent size. But in restricted areas Canadian Hemlock can be easily pruned to form a fine hedge, an excellent background or sheared specimen trees. Hemlocks are very easy to grow and do well in sun or shade.

Prices of top quality 3 yr. Rooted Seedlings. Available Oct. 15 to Nov. 15 and March 15 to May 15. Write for prices on larger quantities. Get the best for less at Rayner's.

| Fully Guaranteed - See page 3.  | 10 plants | 25     | 50     | 100    | 250     | 500     | 1000    |
|---------------------------------|-----------|--------|--------|--------|---------|---------|---------|
| AUSTRIAN PINE ..... (8-18 in.)  | \$1.30    | \$2.60 | \$4.50 | \$8.00 | \$16.00 | \$25.00 | \$40.00 |
| SCOTCH PINE ..... (8-18 in.)    | 1.35      | 2.80   | 5.00   | 9.00   | 18.00   | 27.50   | 45.00   |
| WHITE PINE ..... (8-12 in.)     | 2.00      | 4.00   | 7.00   | 11.00  | 21.00   | 33.00   | 55.00   |
| DOUGLAS FIR ..... (6-10 in.)    | 2.00      | 4.00   | 7.00   | 11.00  | 21.00   | 33.00   | 55.00   |
| COLO. BLUE SPRUCE .. (6- 8 in.) | 1.35      | 2.80   | 5.00   | 9.00   | 18.00   | 27.50   | 45.00   |
| NORWAY SPRUCE .... (8-14 in.)   | 1.35      | 2.80   | 5.00   | 9.00   | 18.00   | 27.50   | 45.00   |
| CANADIAN HEMLOCK (6-10 in.)     | 3.00      | 6.00   | 9.50   | 16.00  | 27.00   | 55.00   | 80.00   |

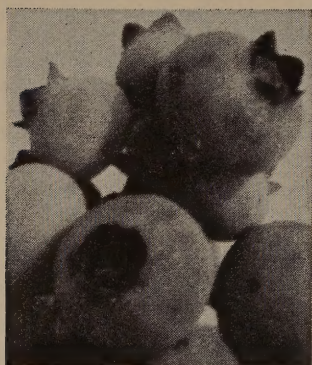
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# Rayner's FAMOUS BLUEBERRIES

FRESH, FULL RIPE BLUEBERRIES ARE A FLAVOR SENSATION—WONDERFUL FOR PROFIT AS WELL AS ORNAMENTAL BEAUTY. BUY YOUR PLANTS DIRECTLY FROM THE PRODUCER AND GET BETTER PLANTS AT LOWER PRICES. THESE ARE THOSE WONDERFUL IMPROVED VARIETIES THAT HAVE BEEN PROVEN SO SUCCESSFUL BY MANY YEARS OF PLANTING IN HOME GARDENS AND FOR COMMERCIAL USE. RAYNER BROS. OFFERS THE MOST COMPLETE SELECTION OF THE BEST VARIETIES. FULL PLANTING INFORMATION ON PAGE 33. SEE PAGE 32 FOR PRICES.



**BURLINGTON**

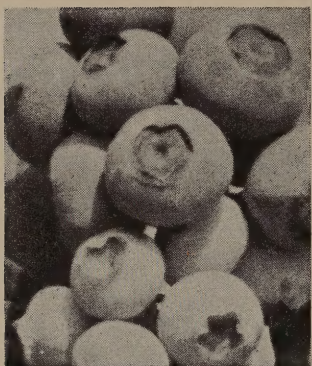
## BURLINGTON VERY LATE

A very productive vigorous variety. The berries are of medium size and of good flavor. They are very attractive, being produced in long, tight clusters. The berries have a very good picking scar and are quite firm. The quality is good and with a season about a week later than Jersey this variety is quite popular. The plants are upright and spreading in shape and are very hardy. The main features of Burlington are its good production and a very late season.

**VERY  
HARDY**

## CONCORD MID SEASON

A good variety for home gardens because the berries are of fine quality and of large size. Because the berries tear somewhat when picked, Concord is not an especially popular commercial variety. Berries are a deep blue color, fairly firm, and have a mild, good flavor. Concord ripens in mid-season. The clusters are large and very attractive. The plants are tall and upright and are hardy in the northeastern states.



**CONCORD**

**VERY LARGE**

## DIXI LATE

Of all the older varieties of blueberries Dixi has the largest fruit. It is exceeded only by the recent U. S. Dept. of Agriculture varieties. Some berries of Dixi are nearly an inch in diameter. Another feature is its excellent sweet, mild flavor. It ripens in late season, a day or so after Jersey. The clusters are fairly tight and attractive. Dixi is fine for home garden use, but is not widely used commercially because the fruit may crack in wet weather. The plants are vigorous and have an open spreading shape.

April 15, 1961

Your blueberry plants are wonderful and your asparagus are the finest I ever saw.

Asheville, N. C.

J. Calvin Palmer

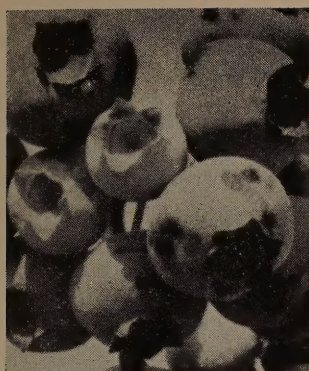
April 4, 1961

My blueberries, from Rayner's plants, won the highest prize at the Keinien flower show.

Breonton, N. J.

Mrs. W. A. Meyer





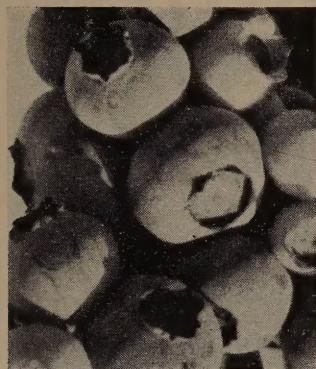
**JERSEY**

**LEADING  
VARIETY**

# JERSEY

**LATE**

There is probably more acreage planted to Jersey than any other blueberry. This variety is well liked by commercial growers because the berries are large, firm, of high quality, and have a very good picking scar. The clusters are long and loose and very attractive. Jersey ripens late and produces very high yields. The plants are very strong and erect and the new wood has an attractive yellow bark. It is especially hardy to both low winter temperature and to frost. We recommend Jersey as an excellent variety for both commercial and home use in the northeastern and central states. Its wonderful flavor is liked by all.



**PEMBERTON**

**VERY  
VIGOROUS**

# PEMBERTON

**LATE**

A late midseason variety that ripens just before Jersey. The berries are of medium size and have a blue attractive color. They are produced on fairly long open clusters. Berries of Pemberton are fine for home gardens since they are juicy and have a good, mild flavor. One excellent feature of Pemberton is the vigorous, erect bush with large, attractive leaves. Production of Pemberton is good and it is a good hardy variety. Pemberton is still widely planted as a commercial variety, but its poor picking scar makes it better suited for home gardens or other situations where the berries are used soon after they are picked.

**OLD  
FAVORITE**

# RANCOCAS

**EARLY**

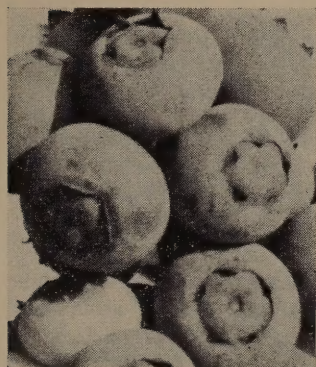
A standard commercial blueberry variety being widely planted because of its hardiness and dependable production. It is an early variety and is a heavy cropper. The berries are of medium size and are light blue at first, but later become dark blue. They are produced in very tight clusters that are quite attractive. Rancocas is a hardy, very vigorous plant that has tall upright growth. It is recognizable from most other varieties by slight, saw-tooth edges of the leaves.

**VERY  
DEPENDABLE**

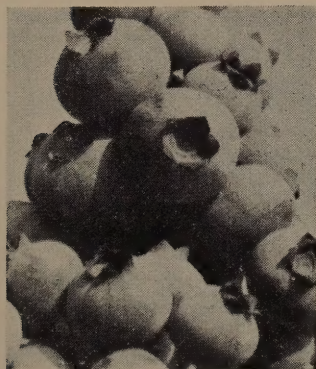
# RUBEL

**LATE**

The only regular blueberry that is a selection from a wild type. Thus, it has the good sweet taste that we associate with the wild huckleberry. The berries are medium sized and are produced in long, loose clusters. They have a good blue color, a firm texture, and a good picking scar. Rubel is a late variety, ripening just before Jersey. It is hardy and productive in the north, yet grown to a considerable extent as far south as North Carolina.



**RANCOCAS**



**RUBEL**

April 3, 1961

Please send 4 of your Crimson King maple trees. I already have 13 of your Crimson King Maples and they are growing fine.

Ridge, L. I., N. Y.

James F. Schmidt

March 2, 1961

I received the dogwood trees, blueberries, and strawberries and they were all in fine condition.

Sebastopol, California

James E. Fansler

July 6, 1961

My older blueberries obtained from you are loaded with berries. Last year I picked 126 quarts off 21 bushes and this year there are more.

Freeport, Pennsylvania

Carl H. Coller





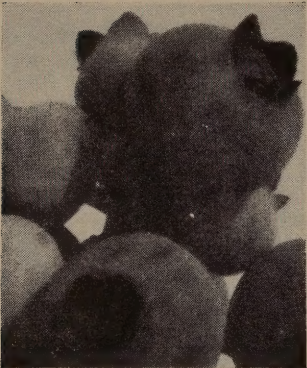
STANLEY

MID  
SEASON

# STANLEY

DELICIOUS  
FLAVOR

One of the most beautiful of all blueberry varieties. The plants are strong and erect and bear such tremendous crops that at fruiting time they are almost covered with fruit. The berries are large and of a bright blue color and are produced in medium tight clusters. Flavor of Stanley is extra good and the berries are firm. It ripens in mid-season and is a wonderful variety for either home garden or commercial planting. Most of the berries ripen at the same time and thus Stanley is relatively easy to pick. It is a good hardy variety well worth planting.



WEYMOUTH

LARGE  
BERRIES

# WEYMOUTH

VERY  
EARLY

A popular variety because of its extra earliness. This past season we made our first picking on June 19 whereas Jersey was not picked until July 6. The berries are large, of a dark blue color and have a good picking scar. They have a sweet flavor and are good for fresh use soon after the berry turns blue. Weymouth has been grown extensively from North Carolina to Massachusetts. The plants are smaller than average and are erect in shape. Weymouth has good resistance to cold weather.

May 5, 1961

Providence, Rhode Island

I want to thank you for sending my blueberry plants so promptly. In the future I will not hesitate to place an order with your company and also recommend your company to my friends.

Mrs. Rose Entenni

Complete Planting Instructions Sent With Order

## PRICE LIST

Plant At Any Time Ground Is Not Too Frozen To Work

F.O.B. Salisbury, Maryland

These Prices Are For Burlington, Concord, Dixi, Jersey, Pemberton, Rancocas, Rubel, Stanley, and Weymouth. See Page 34 For Other Varieties and Prices.

See Page 19 for Postage Rates.

|                            | Single<br>Each | 3 to 9<br>Each | 10 to 29<br>Each | 30 to 99<br>Each | 100<br>or more<br>Each |
|----------------------------|----------------|----------------|------------------|------------------|------------------------|
| 1 yr. 3-9" rooted cuttings | \$ .45         | \$ .35         | \$ .30           | \$ .25           | \$ .20                 |
| 2 yr. 9-12" .....          | 1.00           | .90            | .80              | .70              | .60                    |
| 3 yr. 12-18" .....         | 1.35           | 1.10           | 1.00             | .90              | .80                    |
| 3-4 yr. 18-24" .....       | 1.90           | 1.65           | 1.40             | 1.25             | 1.15                   |

Plant 2 Varieties for Pollination.

Varieties may be combined to take advantage of quantity prices.

Write us for prompt quotations on large quantities.

### JUMBO Size Blueberry Plants 5 yr. 24" to 36" Plants

We have a limited supply of extra large plants that have already fruited for two years in the nursery and will bear lots of fruit this coming season.

The varieties available in this 24-36 size are. **Rancocas, Rubel, Jersey, Pemberton and Stanley.** These are really beautiful plants and are certain to bear a crop. For a big crop in a short time, try these Jumbo plants.

\$2.65 each; 3 for \$6.75; 10 for \$20.00. SEE SPECIAL OFFERS — Page 36.

February 27, 1961

Last year we ordered your blueberry special of 25 plants. All are doing nicely and survived the sub-zero weather we had last winter.

Mrs. C. J. Borer



# Growing Blueberries

These instructions apply to Rayner's hardy, top quality plants. Be sure to prune about  $\frac{1}{2}$  of top from large size bushes before planting.

## WHERE BLUEBERRIES CAN BE GROWN:

The varieties of blueberries we offer will grow well from North Carolina to Maine and westward from Michigan to Missouri. They also grow well in parts of Oregon and Washington. For best fruit production blueberries require full sunlight. The best time to plant is early spring.

**SOIL ACIDITY:** One of the most important factors in successful blueberry culture is to use acid soil — a pH range of 4.0 to 5.5 is considered best. Many soils naturally have this much acidity but in many areas where blueberries could otherwise grow well the soil is not sufficiently acid. For small scale plantings this difficulty can be readily overcome. One of the best methods is to dig a hole about 18 inches deep and about the same in width. Mix half of this soil with well rotted leaf mold or peat and then mix in 3 oz. Aluminum Sulfate plus  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. plant food. Sulfur or vinegar could also be used to acidify the soil. Replace this mixture in the hole and set the plant properly and you have overcome the main problem in growing blueberries.

**DRAINAGE:** Cultivated blueberries require a uniform supply of moisture but they will not tolerate poorly drained or soggy soil. Avoid heavy clay soil for large plantings.

**HOW TO PLANT:** If the roots have become dry in shipment they should be placed in water for about an hour. Best results are obtained if about half of the top growth is pruned from the plant. This allows the plant to become established faster and better. It will rapidly make an abundance of new, sturdy growth. After the holes have been dug and the soil prepared as previously described the plant should be set so that the upper roots are covered by about an inch of soil. It is very important not to set blueberries too deep in the ground for, they may make poor growth or die. It is helpful to water the newly set plant with a soluble fertilizer—using about one quart of solution per plant. Next the soil should be firmly packed around the roots and a mound of soil made around the edge of the hole so that the plant can be properly watered. Frequent watering during the first season will be very helpful in getting plants well established.

In commercial plantings blueberries are usually set 4 feet apart in the row with 8 to 10 feet between rows. However, in home gardens they may be arranged in any manner and can be pruned to nearly any desired shape. Blueberries are especially suitable for hedge plantings and other ornamental uses.

**MULCHING:** It is very helpful if a heavy mulch can be maintained around the plants. Any natural organic matter is satisfactory.

Sawdust; new or old, oak or pine, also gives excellent results. Sawdust is proving to be very desirable for mulching blueberries and we strongly recommend its use. However, when sawdust is used as a mulch it is necessary to add extra nitrogen to the soil. For each ton of sawdust approximately 24 pounds of actual nitrogen is needed. This amount of nitrogen can be obtained from 115 pounds of ammonium sulfate or 72 pounds of ammonium nitrate. This corresponds to 13 ounces of ammonium sulfate per bushel of sawdust or 8 ounces of ammonium nitrate per bushel. Any other type of fertilizing material could be used if the proper amount of nitrogen is provided.

**FERTILIZING:** We definitely recommend that blueberries should receive regular fertilizer applications. Use an acid-type, complete fertilizer early in the spring at the rate of about  $\frac{1}{4}$  pound per each small plant or  $\frac{1}{2}$  pound for large plants. Another application in early summer is usually helpful. Do not apply fertilizer in late summer or fall since it may make plants tender and thus subject to winter injury.

Commercial planters often use 5-10-5 or similar fertilizer at the rate of 500 lbs. per acre.

Recent tests have shown that ammonium sulfate is an excellent fertilizer for blueberries. It should be used at the rate of about 2 ounces for each young plant or  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. for each old plant. About 250 lbs. per acre is recommended for large plantings. Half should be applied in March or April and the rest during May or June.

**PRUNING:** When first planted about half of the upper branches should be removed. Then during each dormant season further pruning is required. Since blueberries usually make too much top growth some of this must be thinned out or the fruit will be small. Normally it is best to prune out slender twigs, leaving the heavier, stronger growth. Low branches should be removed as well as any weak or dead wood.

**YELLOW FOLIAGE:** Blueberries are especially free of disease and insect troubles and thus do not generally require any spraying or dusting. The most common trouble is a yellow color of the leaves (Chlorosis). This yellowing can be corrected in two ways: one is by making the soil more acid by addition of aluminum sulfate. Another is to add iron directly to the plant and to the soil. Yellow leaves will often become a healthy, green color within a few days after iron is added. We recommend Iron Chelate for this purpose. About 1 level tablespoonful in a gallon of water can be applied to the leaves and soil and will be of much help in improving foliage.

**CROSS POLLINATION:** Since cultivated blueberries are partly self-sterile it is best to plant at least two varieties for cross-pollination. Any combination of varieties is usually satisfactory.



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